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and in tribute to the
immortal spirit

of
our late President
Franklin Delano Roosevelt

and the men and women
who have given their lives
in the service
of their country.

From the Jefferson Day Address
written by Franklin Delano Roosevelt
the day before his death

We seek peace -- enduring peace. More than an end to war, we want an end to the beginnings of all wars -- yes, an end to this brutal, inhuman and thoroughly impractical method of settling the differences between governments.

The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today. Let us move forward with strong and active faith.

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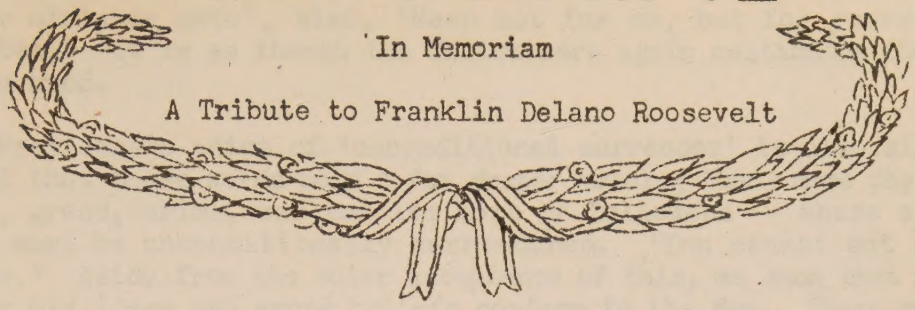
EDITORIAL



In Memoriam

A Tribute to Franklin Delano Roosevelt

A cosmic hush fell over the world when word was released that the President of the United States had stepped into the higher dimensions of life. Through the magic of radio, press and "grape-vine" communication there was scarcely a soul on the planet that did not take this news into his evening reverie on the same day that the transition occurred. The effect was electric and instantaneous. The headlines screamed, "The President is dead". The shock was terrific. Men bowed their heads in unaffected grief. But a lightning flash of illumined knowing belied the mortal fact. Lovingly, prayerfully, in a united consciousness and bond of common love and understanding, the hearts of men declared the immortal truth -- "His spirit will never die."

And so another page in our history is written -- another great leader of men has risen, has radiated his light and taken his stand in the cause of humanity, and has left the plane of human experiences bequeathing us a rich essence of immortal worth. The integrity of his personality now lives in the hearts of men. The torch which he lighted while in the flesh grows exceedingly brighter -- aglow with the radiance of his spirit now flowing from the boundless and immortal realms of the Great Presence.

Reviewing the days that followed his passing brings the warm glow of his vital presence before us. Never before in this life can we remember of a mortal's passing that has so profoundly affected all mankind. It seemed that a soft mantle of sacred feeling -- a holy mystic presence -- fell over men's thoughts and activities everywhere. This influence permeated the industrial, commercial, and common-place channels of expression as well as the more sacred centers among us. Almost the world of self-centeredness and competitive strife stopped for a moment. Men united to salute the spirit of one man -- a leader among them.

The recent issue of the Harmonization News Letter carried an editorial comment on the mystery and wonder of those few days of fusion and "transfusion" caused by the unified attention and worship related to the love of our President. Other interesting comments of this same experience were called to our attention. Among our correspondence was a letter from a student commenting upon this phenomena, which we would like to share with our readers. She is a leader of prayer groups in the East and we quote from her most inspiring communication.

"It was not just an ordinary happening -- truly a Great Spirit has been released upon this earth. For three days all advertising ceased on the radio — only prayer in words or songs and these wonderful musical compositions rendered. The whole world was bathed in the pure Cosmic Rays -- people of all the nations regardless of Race, Creed, or Color bowed in humble grief and prayer for him who truly served humanity well. The earth paid tribute, for the awakening of the flowers, the trees decked in their robes of lovely green, fruit trees in full blossom -- all a month ahead of schedule -- the weather glorious. It seemed as though a Royal welcome had been purposely prepared for the resurrection of a faithful servant of God and man.

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"The President's edict of 'unconditional surrender' is also significant. I really feel that these words hold a far deeper meaning than a mere physical surrender. Hate, greed, crime, war and its host of followers -- these states of consciousness must be unconditionally surrendered. 'You cannot put new wine into old bottles.' Aside from the outer acceptance of this, we know that we cannot try to make the old ideas and wrong beliefs conform to the New. There must be a complete letting go of the old first. We cannot season the New with the old -- 'let the dead past bury its dead.'

"Nations who have never before paid tribute to one not of their own country have acknowledged the friendliness, kindliness, and unselfish motives of President Roosevelt and I feel that as the days pass we will realize how deeply sincere and just were his ideals for humanity as a whole. We give thanks for his leadership and know that his influence for good is one of the Eternal Verities which will become a part of the Soul of Man for all time. The Universal Tone has been sounded.

"The glorious Spirit of Freedom for men is nearer fruition.

"God blesses His beloved Son. He is now ready to do the greater works and we here pledge ourselves anew to those ideals which mean the full emancipation of man from the bondage of his own making because of his ignorance of Truth and wrong beliefs.

"Our new President Harry S. Truman (a significant name) humbly and sincerely has accepted the leadership and with Divine Guidance and the co-operation of every man will lead this Ship of State into calm waters when men shall behold with clearer perspective their true destiny -- not only for themselves but for humanity as a whole.

"I have a Press article before me written by David Lawrence, a correspondent. He attended a breakfast with a dozen senators from both parties and Mr. Truman -- an informal meeting for prayer and spiritual fellowship. Mr. Truman, then the Vice-President spoke simply and understandingly of human problems. This is of great import at this time and surely we can feel the Guiding Hand of God and His Great Love infolding us all. God chooses well. He makes no mistakes.

"If all men will love the Christ Spirit within President Truman -- and tender to him their complete support -- we will stand a United Nation -- One for all, and all for One. It is imperative that this Unity must be an established fact; the time for criticism and personal opinions is past. Spiritual understanding is essential. All nations must acknowledge the oneness of humanity. We know that our lives must be a life of prayer -- communion with God -- with all that is fine and true -- with that which is joy giving.

"The Conference in San Francisco is deeply significant. Divinely directed prayer should be continuous from every heart. We here in our groups have for many weeks placed each delegate to this Conference lovingly in the Hands of the Father and we hold each one in the Christ Light which is their true identity in Truth, knowing that the activity of Spirit must be in accordance with God's Divine Plan. This includes all delegates from all nations. The Christ Spirit is drawing these leaders to this New World Order where the Key Note will be Love, Justice and Peace -- a Peace which will be the Redemption of the world of men.

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-- By Foster Bailey -- reprinted from The Beacon

The present world war is in reality a death struggle between the Forces of Evil and the Forces of Good, as these two great factors in the life of our Planetary Logos focus in the human family. This fact does not release us as members of that humanity from responsibility, but it does illumine the problem of the devastating completeness of the destruction of the "old order".

When the war broke out for the second time in September, 1939, the climaxing struggle between the old Atlantean evil and the spiritual Hierarchy of our planet was joined.

Hitler was the chosen spearhead on the physical plane of the Forces of Evil; Roosevelt was the chosen spearhead of the Forces of Good on the physical plane. Victory for Hitler would have meant the control of the mind of man by the Black Lodge; victory for the United Nations means not merely escape from that dread fate, but a wide open door to greater good for all mankind everywhere in the world.

The triumph of the Forces of Good on the battlefields of the world has resulted from the united cooperative leadership of three men, Churchill, Stalin and Roosevelt. Roosevelt was the great leader into the new day "for all men everywhere in the world." He championed the cause of humanity. He has been the greatest spiritual leader of them all, therefore, he was slandered and hated far more than the other two; therefore, he was misunderstood by all who could not think truly in terms of human welfare. The greater the disciple, the greater the burden carried and the greater the oppositions and the vilifications endured. Roosevelt was worn down to the death as much, if not more, by the definitely perpetuated hate of those who could not face the new day, than he was by Yalta, Teheran or even election campaigns. Let those who have practiced hate, even in its milder forms, pause here. We in the United States need to learn more wisdom and greater tolerance in our judgments of those who serve us.

Three great disciples leading humanity out of darkness into light -- three great men, human still and erring, but doing their utmost to create "one world" in which all mankind could live freed again to struggle toward the common good.

What are the outstanding hallmarks of a World Disciple?

1. He thinks in wholes for the good of the whole of Humanity.

2. He is always misunderstood and so slandered. Be it a Lincoln, a Roosevelt, a Socrates or a great World Saviour, this is true.

3. He creates cleavages and so dissension. This is the meaning of the Christ's saying that He came not to bring peace but a sword -- the sword of the Spirit that separates sharply good and evil.

4. He attacks materialism. This Roosevelt did from the first.

5. He often suffers in his body, usually, some physical disability to be overcome. St. Paul we are told had a "thorn in the flesh." Roosevelt went on winged feet all over the world, as a messenger of unity and good will, and his limbs were encased in ten pounds of steel. Naught deterred him.

These are the hallmarks of discipleship, and they were pronounced in the great Leader who has passed on.

Roosevelt has been the opposite number of Hitler. Behind Hitler stood the very Prince of Evil. In the end Hitler was his stooge. Behind Roosevelt stands the Christ and the power of the Great White Lodge. Nothing could defeat him, but he could become expendable in the great conflict and he did. But Roosevelt remained a man among men, choosing his own course and doing his own job to the end.

Both Roosevelt and Hitler came to world power about the same time. Both leave the stage of world struggle at about the same time. Already Hitler is finished. For Hitler this is the end. But for Roosevelt a new day has dawned, a day of release from a tortured and worn out body, a day of increased vision, power and service under the Christ and in the company of his spiritual peers. A new and expanded service for his fellow men opens before him. This is his true reward. He is not dead; he lives and works and serves. And so must we.

"WE THE PEOPLE"

Eighty years since that April day when the body of Abraham Lincoln was brought to the White House, the body of Franklin Delano Roosevelt returned to the same abode. But as the caisson which carried his remains rolled through the streets of Washington, those who wept for his death knew that it was empty, that the Roosevelt for whom they wept was not there.

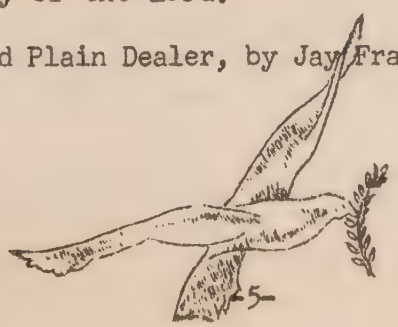
For an extraordinary thing had happened. The spirit of the man, the institutions he created, the ideals for which he struggled, have passed from him to a whole nation, and through it to the entire world. The mantle of Roosevelt did not pass in his lifetime to any one man: now it has passed to the people of the United States in a new spirit of strength, humility and moral courage which is truly Rooseveltian.

Roosevelt stood, because no man was strong enough to pull him down. Truman cannot fall, because everyone will help hold him up. The mantle of Roosevelt has passed to our people. Through us and our actions the world can share a great human spirit which knew no frontiers except those which set one individual apart from another.

From all the United Nations and from the millions of simple people throughout the world came evidence that Roosevelt's death is regarded quite sincerely as a loss to all people, and not merely a loss to Americans.

What all these things may mean is difficult to analyze in detail: added together they justify the statement that, through Roosevelt's death, we Americans have achieved national unity in terms of Roosevelt's ideals and policies. They also justify the statement that the cause of a real organization of world peace and world security has been tremendously advanced by his death under fire, as a good soldier in the Army of the Lord.

-- from the Cleveland Plain Dealer, by Jay Franklin, in the Beacon, May, 1945.



"BLEST BE THE TIE" By A Father

-- from Servitors Associated, P. O. Box 1259, Santa Barbara, California

May I say a word as one who lost all he counted dear on earth through War's merciless exactions ... a war claiming the finest, the strongest, the most endearingly full of life and dreams and laughter, to stay the onward march of Freedom's relentless foe?

Once gone from out your sight, what of these brave lads ... brothers, husbands, fathers, sons and those who are kin only through ties of national pride, honor and self-sacrifice upon the altar of Liberty for all? Must you, perforce, consign them to oblivion, save in the bygone memories of other days? God Forbid!

Could they but speak to you, what message would they whisper in the ears of those they still adore, they still hold closely in their arms of love?

You miss the touch, the feel of strong arms holding tight the one loved best of all! Yet this we know! All those "promoted" to higher ranks than earthly warriors know, enjoy some privileges not accorded before they leave this battle scene below.

Have you not heard of "miracles" that happen when injured pilots bring their wrecked planes home; when wounded men are rescued under gun-fire; when ships are sunk and drowning men survive? Our men transferred to higher spheres of service are used in countless ways to intervene and carry out some splendid plan of action devised by Those who work "behind the scenes."

Believe me when I say with firm conviction, your boy (who "died" in battle) still fights on ... fights with an Unseen Army pressing forward to free the world from all which forces men to serve the Evil One whose domination has plunged the world into darkness and despair!

Your son, your husband, your beloved brother, all men who served their country well ... and died in service ... now have medals fashioned by One who knows all that they did and gave! It matters not in what branch of the service they met their summons to a higher grade ... whether in active combat on the war front or where needed war equipment's made ... our men who gave their all without a question to serve their country in her urgent need are highly honored as they go up higher; are given more than a just recompense!

For every mortal transferred from earth's turmoil through any service to his fellowman enters a "heaven" mortals may not vision who plod through life engrossed with thoughts of Self.

We beg you to refrain from hopeless sorrow that holds no certainty of future life! Your loved one, who has left you for the moment, has but cast off his mortal robe of flesh to don a robe of more ethereal fabric, far better suited to his present need.

We do not speak fair words of consolation merely to ease your sadness and your grief. We speak a word beyond disputing! YOUR LOVED ONE LIVES ... is served by those well tutored in the gentle art of caring for all who, having done their duty, receive their just reward and travel on.

We bid you mourn as those who bid a traveler "God-Speed" upon his journey to a land where every dream he cherished is now waiting to bloom beneath his skillful, patient hand.

You have a part in this Divine completion of every deep desire within the heart of him you love, whatever was his station. His loving care will never, never fail you! He bids you live and love and carry on! Life's lessons will not be too hard to master being assured of his undying love.

You wonder why I speak with such conviction? You wonder if my words are really true? My answer is ... I KNOW! For I have traveled the way men have called "Death" ... and I found LIFE!

Whoever you are mourning as "departed" ... there is a better word I'd have you say. Your loved one is not gone, but just crossed over into a land of blessed REALITY. And all will make the journey soon or later; all reach that land where dwell the ones they loved a little while and, losing, thought of themselves as hopelessly bereft.

What joy to know your loved ones live! Possessing those deathless attributes you hold most dear, still keep you in their loving watch-care ... and smile when you can sense their presence near!

They are not gone! They're closer now than ever! They've not forgot one single happy hour you spent together, but await with longing that joyous day when you shall meet again! And you must cheer them onward, ever onward, for they still need your sympathy and love ... and when you feel them near you just remember a smile will help them far more than a tear!

You cannot see them save in mental pictures or some swift vision in the early morn but you can KNOW they live and, living, cherish all homely and familiar things. The special dishes served with eyes a-dancing with eagerness to see the feigned surprise; the gown he liked despite the fact that Fashion long since had changed her fluctuating mind!

Oh, let him share the unforgotten pleasures of days you found so full of foolish joys! Your loved one lives and finds his greatest comfort in helping you to live as mortals should. "Remembering" ... but adding to the memory of days now gone (as all our days must go!) a present filled with plans that he is sharing ... who loves you now as in the long ago ...

"For Love o'er steps the seeming separation,
Bridges the gap which Death left yawning wide,
And brings to us who've loved and laughed together
Sweet comradeship which ever shall abide!"

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I am standing on the seashore ... A ship spreads her white sails in the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean ... She is an object of beauty, and I stand and watch her until at length she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky meet to mingle with each other ...then someone at my side says, "There! she's gone!" -- Gone where? Gone from my sight -- that's all. ... She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my sight, and just as able to bear her load of living freight to the place of her destination ... Her diminished size is in me -- not in her ... And just at that moment when someone at my side says, "There! she's gone!" there are other eyes watching her coming; and other voices take up the glad shout; "There she comes!"

And that is Living, not Dying.

-- This was found in the desk of the late Harry K. Noyes, and it is believed that it was written by him.

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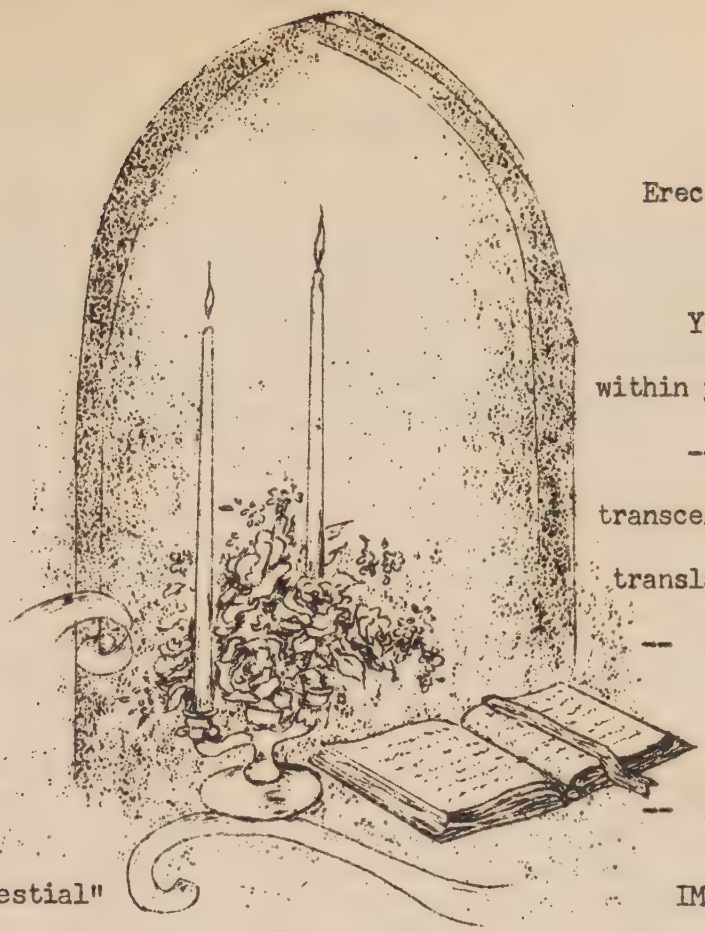
from "Petitions Celestial"



Erecting a Memorial

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Your Real Self

within your consciousness

-- the Power
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-- into the Memory

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-- into the Heart
of your
IMMORTAL BEING.

-- by Hanna Jacob Doumette, Christian Institute of Spiritual Science

Christ speaks to me daily:

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."

Let not your memory disturb you, burden your soul, or obstruct your Path.

Forsake your karma. Forget what you used to be. Dismiss what you lived in the past.

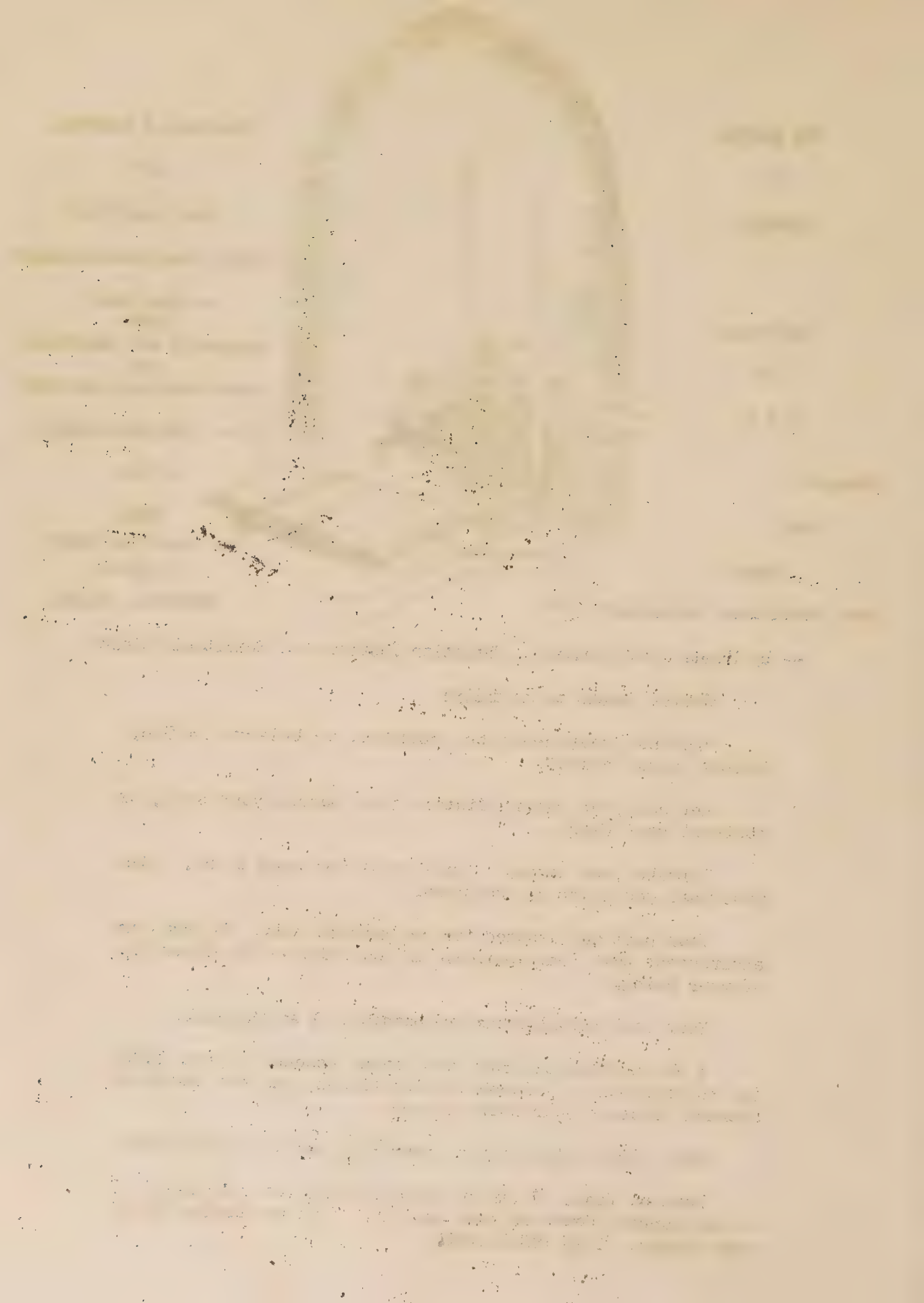
Your past was assumed for one purpose only. It was your environment that I may manifest in you today -- the Higher Ego of your being.

Your past tribulations are nothing. I am the Real.

I am the Eternal Truth and Divine Essence of your life, the shining Sun of Triumph in your trials, and the Spirit of Eternal Bliss in your hour of need.

Now I live within you as your Holy and Victorious Self.

Have no fear. I am the Eternal Glory of your past. I am the Supreme Power of your present. I am the Divine Sun of your future. I AM THE CHRIST!



TRANSMUTATION

By

Hanna Jacob Doumette

You are the alchemist, the owner of the touchstone, the master transmuter. A Supreme Self dwells in you as the intelligence, light and power of your being. To know your Real Self as it is in its own origin is to behold the Divinity of Being within you as your own light of life and to see the kingdom of God in the world. Through this beholding you quicken the mighty and universal power of transmutation. This power acknowledges and accepts things, only to re-create them according to their true archetypes and to renew them according to their spiritual perfection and eternal purpose.

As a physical being -- ego -- you are a son of man, and as a spiritual being -- Higher Ego -- you are a Son of God. As a son of man you attract the sphere of earth and the life of the world, and become one with them in many ways. But as the Son of God you transform and elevate the sphere of earth and the life of the world to their spiritual reality. Transformation and not destruction is your mission and power, and for this purpose you are traversing the path of descent and ascent; the mysterious path of evolution.

As a son of man you subjected yourself to polarity, negation, cause and effect. You made yourself a creature of circumstances. This is not your real life, destiny or the ultimate of being. You intermingled with this phenomenal life and sentient living because as a Son of God you are able and also destined to transmute assumed conditions and fabricated environments. In transmuting them you purify your soul, redeem your consciousness, liberate your human self, and save the world.

Thoughts and experiences, that weigh heavily on us and draw us down, when transformed elevate us and become an unshakable foundation of positive, wealthy and constructive living. They become the might and determination of our personality. When transformed, doubts, fears, stubborn trials and disappointments strengthen us, inspire self-confidence, and become milestones on the path of progress and usefulness. No one outlives his usefulness nor is allowed to be destructive on the path of transmutation. Instead, we learn to accomplish greatly, to perform miracles, and to win victories.

In being sent to earth, you were appointed a transmuter, the bearer of the miraculous light of quickening, elevation, and renewal. To transmute your own self, personality, and environment, is to know truth inwardly and to surrender to God in all your ways. It is to love Him with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your soul, with all your being. To transform conditions, the feelings and thoughts of others, is to think positively and creatively and to materialize your thoughts. To be a transmuter is to look for the true, the real, the eternal, within things and behind experiences, to value things according to this discernment, and to deal with them as such.

Behind all the cycles of life, behind the entire evolution of humanity, there lies one truth, one purpose, one ultimate -- the divineness of our being and the individual attainment of that divineness -- the triumph of immortality. All this hinges on the power of transmutation that heaven vested in man -- the miraculous power of spiritual willing.

There is a day of glorious sunrise in the life of every person . . . . the day of transmutation, the day of mastery of power, during which we behold and know God in our life, in our midst. Before this day comes let us exert our faith, let us keep watching . . . affirm and live truth, realize Divine Presence, acknowledge infinite goodness, and be thankful. Let this opportunity not escape us.

THE DIVINE LIFE-FORCE

-- from "The Lord of Life"
The teachings of
The Universal Religious Fellowship, Inc.
Dr. F. Homer Curtiss

As you respond to the uprush of the Divine Life-force as revealed in the beauties of Spring, all your senses are delighted and you are made glad. In the presence of a glorious landscape, before a towering mountain, in a mighty forest, your heart is touched and you experience a great thrill of happiness. You stand breathless in awe and wonder at the grandure and beauty of it all. And you marvel how your insignificant personal self, this pigmy amidst the grandure of Nature, can have such a thrilling reaction.

This is because for the moment the manifestation of the Lord of Life in you has touched the heart of Nature and you have had some realization of your oneness with the Lord of Life in Nature. And the immensity of that life has overwhelmed you. For the moment you have risen above the vibrations of the outer life and have let the inner life flow through you. You have awakened from your spiritual slumber and have felt something of your oneness with the Lord of Life. Thus, your reaction in oneness of response has proved that the Lord of Life is within you as well as in Nature, for it is His One Life that animates you as well as all other life forms. You have touched the cosmic live-wire or life-wire; the living power, the divine consciousness, that has brought the entire universe into manifestation.

MORE THAN MORTAL

If you will let your mind dwell on this thought you will soon learn to think of yourself not as a limited human personality, not even as a mere mortal, but as a Spiritual Being animated by all the divine powers of the Lord of Life. And if the Lord of Life can manifest so beautifully in all the kingdoms of Nature which you see so lavishly displayed around you, so can He manifest just as beautifully through you if you will but let Him.

But the beauties of Nature are manifested according to law. For, we repeat, everything that has life has law, the law of its being. And it must live according to that law or its flow of life-force from the Lord of Life will be interfered with and ultimately will cease entirely. Then that form will die. This law of use -or-else atrophy applies to you. Unless you correlate with and use the spiritual forces from the Lord of Life your spiritual as well as your physical life will die out.

BLOCKING THE CHANNELS

Since the Lord of Life manifests fully only in rhythmic harmony, your aches and pains, your illnesses and diseases, your tempers and passions, manifest because you do not recognize and follow the guidance of the Lord of Life within as obediently as do the other forms of life in Nature. If inharmony is manifesting through you, in some way you are blocking the channels for His harmonious expression because you are interfering with the manifestation of His law in your life. Seek diligently therefore within your consciousness and your life and daily habits for the causes of the inharmony of body, mind and Spirit, and correct them, if you wish perfect harmony and happiness to manifest in your life.

In addition to cleanliness and harmony of body there must be cleanliness and harmony of mind as well. For just as the bodily impurities interfere with the proper flow of the vitalizing and regenerative stream of vitality, health and strength to all the bodily organs and tissues, just so do mental and emotional inharmonies interfere with the flow of the streams of happiness, illumination, and regeneration from the Lord of Life.

Therefore, just as you need to purge your body from its accumulated wastes, so must you purge your mind and emotions from their accumulated inharmonies. This is accomplished by allowing the great stream of Divine Life-force to flow forth so freely through you from the Lord of Life that it will cleanse you from all inharmonies and fill you with peace, harmony and the joy of living.

(-- Dr. Curtiss, 5130 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C.)

MASTER BUILDERS

Gurli Mellenthin

Within this very moment is life eternal. Here and now abides our immortality. This very moment life is vibrant within us. The past, the present, the future are all rolled into one. With all our hearts we accept this sacred NOW. God's heavenly light is upon us and in us. Life, the good life is ours, and the resurrection in the exalted NOW. Unhesitatingly we embrace the beauty and splendor of these truths and right now we stand forth in God's light and love. Peace is our path, and our pledge to the holy Now is: "To our highest Self we shall be true."

"Choose ye this day whom ye shall serve." We have made our choice. We rejoice, and the accomplishment is sweet to the soul. "We stand fast, therefore, in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free; we will not be entangled with any yoke of bondage." Strong and fervid within, life surges, ever spurring, ever urging us on to greater things. Ever and ever life reveals its splendor and riches. Master builders are we, and now is our period of fulfillment. Like unto Jesus, the man, the carpenter, who through self-realization rose to be the Christ, we affirm the Christhood in us; and like Jesus the Christ, we move steadfastly, unshaken, in the sure and undying conviction of our divinity. Wisdom and truth fill our hearts, and in love and peace we go about our respective callings. We know that we can do every task that is set before us.

Our minds abide in wisdom. We know that our powers are sufficient to fulfill our every good wish. Every day we put into practice the truth of which we are conscious. We know too, that we have sufficiency in all things, and that we succeed in every endeavor. As our Father, who is the author of all things perfect, even so we have the power to be perfect in His image and likeness, and illness touches us not. Our Father is love and loving, even so do we love and are loved. All things that the Father hath are ours. As we live in God and express ourselves in goodly acts, so shall we be at peace. In His love and His law our every move is fruitful and good.

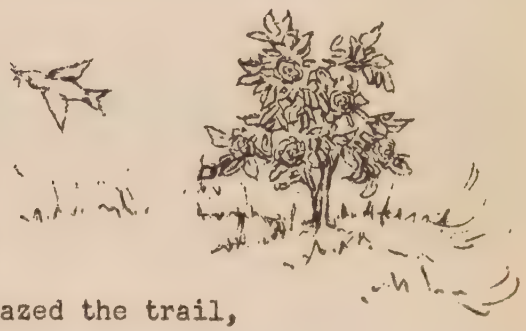
"Blessed is the man that delighteth in the law of the Lord. He shall be blessed like the tree planted by sweet waters, that bringeth forth its fruit, and its leaf shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

We and the Father are one. So be it.

-- from "Our Heritage Now"

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

"Lord, make me an instrument of Thy Peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sickness joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."



SAINT FRANCIS

Eleanor Fiock

Where once you walked and blazed the trail,
O, messenger of Light;
So may your gentle spirit bless
The nations to unite.

A mighty city bears your name --
A meeting place today;
Where men have met on common ground,
To find a common way.

O Saintly one, who once did bless
With love a most radiant flame;
May your own gentle spirit guide
And put vain strife to shame.

Be thou an instrument of peace,
Where there is hate, sow love;
Where there is darkness, shed thy light
Direct from heaven above.

Where there is injury, forgive,
Plant faith and hope indeed;
That all may truly understand
The other nation's need.

Thy tranquil spirit guide their thoughts,
Thy prayer again prevail;
Thy selfless spirit touch each heart,
Lest mortal humans fail.

HARMONY AND AMERICA

CHRIST OF THE CAPITOL

In the days ahead, the women of this nation will have an opportunity to share in a movement to erect at the National Capitol in Washington, D. C., a monument to our Lord Jesus Christ, symbolizing our faith and our devotion to Him as the Light of the World.

Without a doubt, the greatest achievement ever credited to the unified efforts of women is the erection of the colossal statue known as the Christ of the Andes. Not alone is this statue itself unique, but when we consider that the idea motivating its creation ended a border dispute -- a war that had raged intermittently for several generations, each time decimating their manhood, we stand in awe at the tremendous power of the Golden Rule as demonstrated by the women of these two South American countries, Chile and Argentine.

The wonderful example furnished by our sister countries of South America could well be followed, according to our own needs in the United States. Instead, however, of collecting all the old weapons such as these noble women used for their statue, we here at home could donate and collect old gold, jewelry, platinum, and silver to be used for the Majestic Christ Figure. The personal sacrifice of woman's vanity for true devotion offered to this cause would be a magnificent gesture.

When we consider that the great men who founded this country were God-inspired and God-directed by the Christ Ideal, it would seem fitting for the women of this nation, together with Christian devotees everywhere, to make this Christ of the Capitol monument the outstanding symbol of our national life.

Bringing to fulfillment a monumental work of this kind should be the privilege of every woman, as well as every church and religious group, in the Nation. Clerics and spiritual leaders are invited to provide receptacles in which the metal and moneys may be deposited; also, to announce the plan for the erection of this proposed Christ Statue at our National Capitol; and to appoint, from their congregation, committees to work toward the success of this worthy project.

To those participating in the drive: Please send name and address of church, cleric, and committee chairman. No one is permitted to make individual solicitations for the Christ Statue without his church's authorization and the cleric's signature, or a permit from headquarters.

All communications and cash donations (hold metal until end of drive) should be addressed to Christ of the Capitol Committee, Mrs. Charles Henry Clark, Chairman pro tem, 521 Marquette St., Pacific Palisades, Los Angeles, California.

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -- "HIS SERVANT NATION"

Phoebe Marie Holmes

We are on the threshold of the dawn of the new world. They that trust in the Lord are as Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abideth for ever. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His dear people for ever-

more.

What a blessing! How grateful we should be to our heavenly Father for the flooding of our hearts with the joyful knowledge that we are in this beautiful country where we can dwell in perfect safety.

We should all realize the unselfish service to God of those ministering angels of mercy who are binding the wounds of those giving their lives for the preservation of our Christian and American ideals. Unnumbered thousands are, with daring, courage, and dauntless faith, giving devoted labor to their native land, while their militant sons are giving their lives, if need be, for their country.

The United States of America is literally a Scriptural Nation, and, as such, we are the inheritors of the blessings promised by the Lord to His people, for we can definitely trace our ancestry back to the "Lost sheep" of the house of Israel.

Every Christian believes that he will live again in the RESURRECTION, and it is the hope of everlasting life that gives meaning and purpose to our Christian faith in Almighty God. Many are not aware of the promise to protect our nation from death in battle. Read Psalm ninety-one. The Lord has promised that if we would seek His face and assume our rightful place as "His servant nation", no weapon formed against us shall prosper.

Through His prophet Isaiah, the Lord calls us his "rebellious children" who will not take counsel of Him, and who "will not hear the law of the Lord". It is for this reason that we are paying such a terrible price today, even while we are being used as the Lord's battle axe and weapon of war. Were we willing to heed the orders of our divine Commander-in-Chief, the Lord Himself would fight for us and protect us from all harm.

Ultimately we shall, as a Christian nation, take our place as God's servant nation, for He has said: "In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory." (Isaiah 45:25). And, "Fear thou not, (O Israel my servant); for I am with thee; be not dismayed: for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness ... Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth; thou shalt thresh the mountains (or nations), and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff." (Isaiah 41:10, 15)

So Israel, who has served the peoples of earth in a wonderful way, must yet make a clean sweep of all Babylonish influence, commercial and political. The Gold Calf must not be our image of worship in place of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

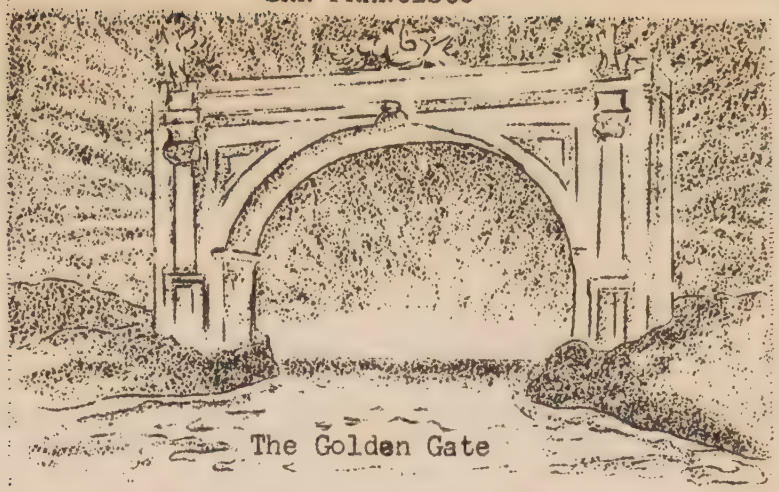
Read the inspired word: "His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6) The only source of peace on earth or in heaven is Jesus Christ. Not until the Prince of Peace is enthroned in our hearts, and we express love and harmony to every creature will we have everlasting peace.

Glorious indeed are the descriptions which the holy Scriptures give us of the heavenly Jerusalem, which will be a wonderland of beauty and peace. "And there shall be no more curse." "My people shall dwell in a peaceful habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places." "Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise."

Thank God, the sound of war will forever end and man shall live again in the spirit of brotherhood and peace. And glory of God and the Lamb will flood the Holy City with dazzling splendor. And all the citizens will be privileged to commune with the Father and the Sun of righteousness. The great "Life Changer" will transform and recondition the character of each personality. We shall become peaceful citizens, and happy worshippers of the true God and Jesus Christ, sent to rule over us who shall have learned the better way of life, Our daily habits and conduct will express the Christ principles of love, peace, and harmony. Thus let us commit our ways unto Him. "Trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."

-- from "Citizenship in the Post-War Kingdom of God"

SAN FRANCISCO



The Golden Gate

-- excerpts from an article by Theodore Heline in the April, 1945, "New Age Interpreter"

A century ago the discovery of gold in California put San Francisco on the United States map. This month one of the most momentous gatherings of the nations of the world is placing it on the global map. The fact is significant in relation to this changing world.

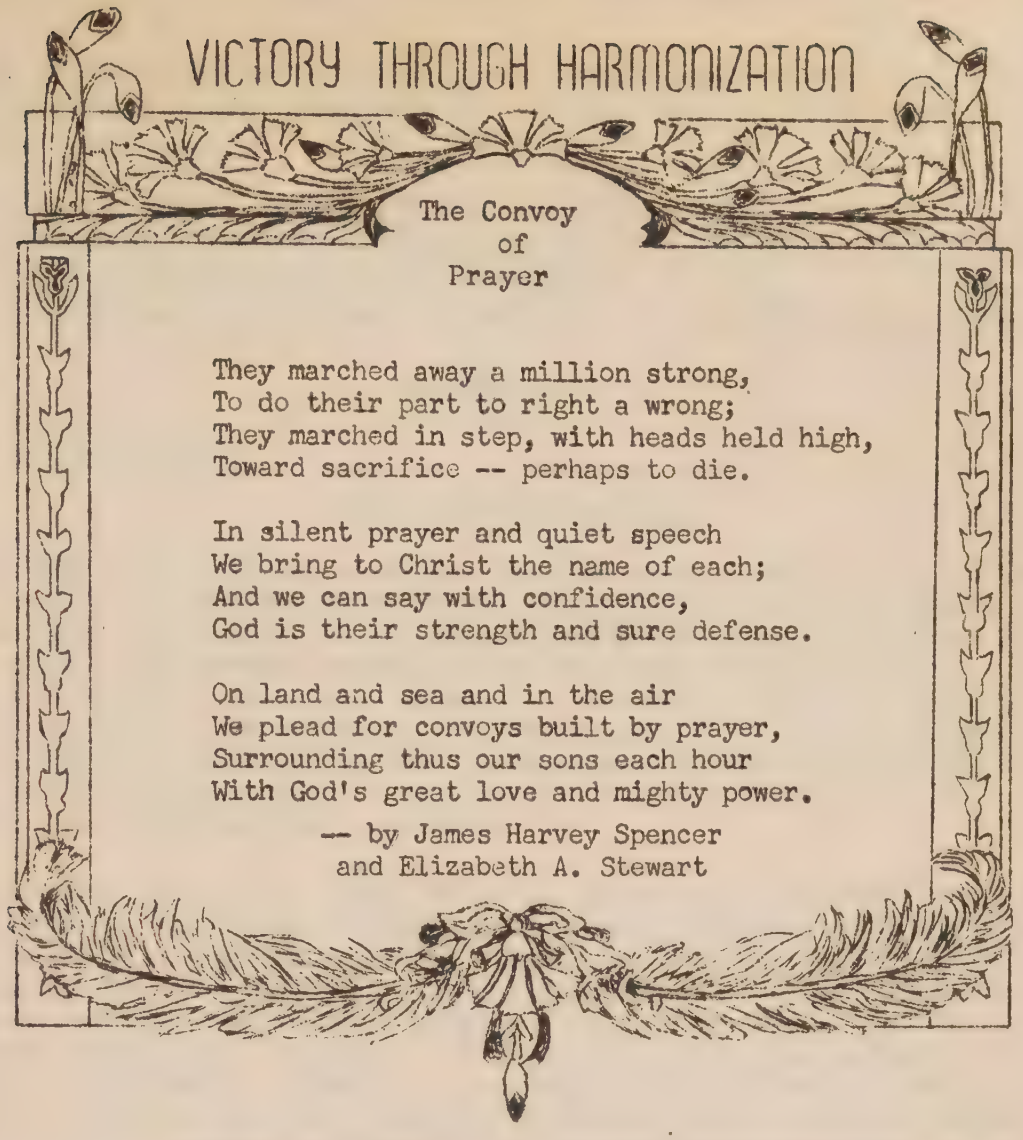
Westward the star of empire takes its course. The spiritual impulses underlying civilization's growth and progress follow the apparent motion of the sun, giver of life and light to all the earth and everything thereon. That these impulses should make a great forward leap at this cyclic time is in accordance with the rhythms of recorded history and in harmony with evolutionary progression as taught in the Ancient Wisdom.

The power of the Atlantic yields to the power of the Pacific. The power of the one is passing out; that of the other is coming in. While the transition will extend over many, many centuries of time, it requires little or no imagination to recognize the fact that the selection of San Francisco for the next international conference devoted to exploring the ways for permanent world peace may well mark the epochal date for an age to come when it can be definitely said that civilization's center shifted from the lands of the Atlantic to the lands of the Pacific.

It is fitting also that the conference devoted to future world security and peace should meet on the shores of pacific waters. Psychical influences, even when not consciously perceptible, are nevertheless of great significance, and in the spiritual geography of the planet the Pacific ocean is found to be psychically warm, friendly and inviting, whereas the Atlantic by comparison is agitated, afflictive and forbidding.

Nor can one escape the appropriateness of holding the coming world conference on peace in a city named after the beloved St. Francis of Assisi, apostle of harmlessness and universal love, and altogether one of the most spiritually significant characters which our Christian civilization has given to the world. The benediction of his spirit, early planted by faithful followers of the ideals he espoused, still hovers like a rare fragrance over the California coast line where cherished missions of their pioneering activity still remain to bless and to inspire all who touch them.

We have stellar corroboration of the now generally recognized fact that the establishment of a world safe for peaceful pursuits everywhere and at all times will be no simple task. It will not come easy. It will not come without opposition and discouragements. It will not come without patient toil, persistent hope and great faith. Above all, it will not come until the governments of the world will do what the Colonial Fathers did when, after long and seemingly hopeless controversy and dissension over the question of Independence, they agreed upon resorting humbly to prayer that God might guide them aright. From that moment on it is historically recorded there was steady progress towards the desired goal of established unity, and the United States of America became a glorious fact. Today, as then, it is for the nations to pause and remember . . . "except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it."



The Convoy
of
Prayer

They marched away a million strong,
To do their part to right a wrong;
They marched in step, with heads held high,
Toward sacrifice -- perhaps to die.

In silent prayer and quiet speech
We bring to Christ the name of each;
And we can say with confidence,
God is their strength and sure defense.

On land and sea and in the air
We plead for convoys built by prayer,
Surrounding thus our sons each hour
With God's great love and mighty power.

-- by James Harvey Spencer
and Elizabeth A. Stewart

CONVOYS OF PRAYER -- from the Fellowship Messenger

The above poem, published in a folder, issued by the First Avenue Church of St. Petersburg, carries with it a message which is for every American of every creed.

But we must do more than read it: we must act on it! Let us every day -- yes, every hour -- surround not only our own loved ones with a strong convoy of fervent, faithful, understanding Prayer, but let us so surround all those who make up the great host of those who stand and serve on the side of Justice, Freedom, Peace and Humanity in this Armageddon conflict.

Let our consciousness of God's guiding, sustaining, saving power go out from the very soul of us to enfold every man, every plane, and tank, and ship, and artillery unit. Let our thought of the guiding, wisdom-giving Spirit of God go out to every leader and commanding officer of every grade on land or sea. For if the rank and file have need of God, how much more do those who must command and bear the burden of responsibility have need of that which only God can give.

Most people are faithful in buying bonds, saving scrap rubber, tin and kitchen fats, and in contributing in many other ways to the "war effort." Yet in this one thing by which not only the tide of battle but the fate of empires may well be determined, they are neglectful, forgetful, doubtful, weak.

Let us as Christians, as believers in the Power of God and in the Worth of Prayer, consider now -- each one of us and also every Prayer Group -- the matter

of sending out our Convoys of Prayer, our Convoys of Faith in God, and of comforting, healing love for those who are so very worthy of all that we can ever give them.

And when you write to your friends and loved ones, be sure to let them know that you and your Prayer Group are praying for them, and that they are remembered every day. The knowledge of this is worth much.

— Christian Fellowship of Prayer, P. O. Box 706, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Everyone may participate
in the --

WORLD CORDON OF PRAYER

There was a man who for years, every night before falling asleep, prayed to God to take him and let him serve on the inner planes during the night. One day he told me this and added: "But I am getting nowhere fast; my prayer has never been answered." 'Did youever try working on the inner planes yourself?" I asked. "How can I do that?" "By simply doing it. Tonight, after you have prayed to God to use you on the Inner Planes, consciously generate and deliberately, joyously pour out love and blessings on the whole world. You will actually be serving, for your blessing will be picked up and rebroadcast from the Inner Planes." "Please be more explicit," he requested.

"All right. Try this: After retiring, get as still as possible; close your eyes and mentally repeat the following: 'God bless everyone and everything, everywhere, always. I consciously generate a Golden Stream of Living, Quickening, Healing Love, and joyously pour it forth through my Christ Self to all mankind. I actually see and feel this Golden Stream of Living Love pouring forth through me to each and every person on earth; I see them gather in its radiant glory; I see them uplifted, quickened, glorified, transfigured, illumined. I see them as God sees them -- Perfect, Glorious, Radiant, Spiritual Beings of Living Light. I see our Christed Lord, Jesus, in their midst, ministering unto them, drawing them nearer to Himself.'"

It is the privilege of everyone to be an Invisible Helper on the Inner Planes. if he is willing to pay the price which is unselfish devotion to God and His creation. All one needs to do is to love everyone, and everything, everywhere, always. It is not necessary to use the words given above -- sooner or later words better suited to your own service will be given to you.

The all-important thing is to keep on pouring out love and blessings upon the whole earth and everyone and everything thereon. With a little practice you will be able to actually see and feel this Golden Stream of Living Love welling up from the center of your being, and pouring forth through you. It will both thrill and soothe you. Later you will be able to see Mankind as a whole, with Jesus in the midst, serving them. As you continue in this service, you will find time to pour forth this blessing many times each day. It can be done in a few minutes -- anywhere, anytime -- even in the noise and tumult of a crowded street.

Sometime, it will dawn upon you that all this love and blessing you have been pouring out is being returned to you, pressed down and running over. All of your questions will be answered and your problems solved without your thinking of them at all. But (and this is important) don't look for the return of your blessings. Simply forget yourself and send them forth. "This one thing I do." And so, in the transcendental consciousness of self-forgetfulness, let us send forth this blessing for this month: "I love everyone and everything, everywhere, always." "I love everyone and everything, everywhere, always!" -- E. S.

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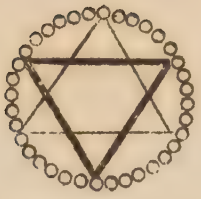
HARMONIZATION

CORDON OF PRAYER

"Each one PRAY for one"



The Department of Healing of the Harmonization Fellowship Foundation -- the Ministry of "The Healing Christ" -- is made up of a group of trained spiritual healers . . . those trained in skilled mental and spiritual treatment and who daily enter devotions and the High Watch for intercession and the direction of the magnetic currents of the White Light and Cosmic Energy. It is recognized that the Leader is Jesus Christ and that the real Ministry functions among the invisible workers under "The Healing Christ" -- sainted ones and spiritual beings functioning in the High Light and entirely devoted to the healing of mankind. All devotees of Truth and disciples of Christ who care to selflessly serve as channels of light may consciously harmonize with this celestial Ministry and may be considered a part of the Heavenly Order on earth.

The Ministry receives many requests for prayer which it sacredly accepts and takes into the Light. In addition it has inaugurated a project of harmonized prayer or "CORDON OF PRAYER" which invites every sincere devotee to accept the spiritual responsibility and divine joy of praying for another and to take active part in the program of the Healing Ministry. Those who join the Cordon of Prayer believe in the POWER OF PRAYER -- believe in the promises of the Healing Christ -- and seek to practise the Prayer of Faith and Harmony. Each one believes that he can in some measure act as intercession for another through his own devotions and consecrated offering of self to Christ.

It is said that the perfect plan for establishing harmony and healing in one's consciousness is to pray for another -- to ask healing for someone else. The Power that heals is GOD. The healing work is done in consciousness . . . the one and only requirement being to establish HARMONY. There is but one person in reality to treat -- that is, your own consciousness. There is but one thing to know -- that is, THE POWER OF GOD. In prayer for another it more easily allows the consciousness to realize this Power -- therefore, not only releasing the POWER THAT HEALS in the one prayed for but at the same time allowing that same POWER to be released in one's self. The strong motivation of love in praying for another opens up the consciousness to the LOVE OF GOD . . . the currents of Christ-Love which are forever flowing at every point from the Healing Christ of God.

It is a most inspiring realization to partake in the group consciousness -- many souls bound only through love and a selfless desire to help each other -- each one praying for someone in that group and all praying not only for everyone in the particular group making up the Cordon of Prayer but for all humanity. It brings a warm and satisfying inner feeling to know someone cares enough for you to pray for you alone -- someone who is loving you although he does not know you as a personality but he loves your soul. He is reaching through the Invisible Presence of Divine Love and grasps your hand, harmonizing with your spirit. In turn, what a divine privilege it is for you to seek to lift up another in compassion and a desire to help.

Our Cordon of Prayer has been established for over three months and we are keeping a chart showing the hours which members are now observing. Each one chooses a period of prayer of a half-hour or more and in accordance with Pacific Victory time this is recorded. The goal is to have the circle completed -- to have someone in the Cordon praying every minute of the day and night. Then no matter when anyone looks to the Ministry for help he may be assured someone is praying in the Cordon at that time. We had expected to print the Chart in this Digest, but due to an unexpected change in the staff of the Fellowship this has not been fully completed to-date. It will appear in the next News Letter or Digest. All who sign up for the Cordon of Prayer are now receiving the Harmony Prayer Lessons which are sent monthly and which contain instruction and help in Prayer for the individual and for the Prayer Group. The Cordon of Prayer is forming a powerful GROUP CONSCIOUSNESS -- a MASTER MIND in the Mind of Jesus Christ. If you are interested in helping to establish His Kingdom on earth and to give and receive the richest blessings of Christ . . . write for information. The introduction to the Harmony Prayer Manual will be sent anyone upon request.

BECAUSE YOU PRAYED

By Mary Lund

Because you prayed for me,
I found the strength I needed for my task.
The courage I had lacked before, the faith to see
Beyond my narrow world, new joy for pain I found,
and zeal
To press on forward strong of heart again ...
Because you prayed.

Because you prayed today
I found it was not hard to face the dawn,
Take up the work I laid away
But yesterday, and shoulder it, and dare to smile a bit,
And find a blessing I had not dreamed was there,
Because you prayed.

Because you prayed for me
Tonight, I seemed to reach and find your hand
Closeby as I had known it would be;
And somehow toil and turmoil need must cease,
It was as though God to my heart had softly whispered,
"Peace,"
Because you prayed.

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THAT THE CHURCH MAY TRULY LIVE!

by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

-- condensed from an address before the Protestant Council of the City of New York

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Shortly after this World War began there was presented a picture so horrible it hardly seemed that it could be true. It appeared that hell had broken loose and that millions of evil spirits had become incarnate and were committing atrocities and acts of cruelty beyond belief.

In the face of this awful picture it is not strange that we should ask ourselves: "Has Christianity failed?"

But the war has painted another picture. In it we see millions of men and women who are exemplifying in their daily lives unselfishness, generosity, loyalty and self-sacrifice which command the admiration of the world. These people are reflecting Christ's spirit. Yet many of them have no church affiliations, for too often the church seems to them quite apart from their lives, an institution which has little contact with or understanding of their problems, since theirs is fundamentally a religion of deeds, not of creeds; expressed in life, not in words.

As we view this picture we say with renewed faith: "Christianity has not failed; churches may have failed, but never was Christianity a more vital force in human life than it is today."

Nevertheless, if this unorganized spiritual force is to be conserved the Christian Church must have a new birth. These noble men and women, many of whom have sacrificed their all, must find in the church the recognition, the association and the inspiration which they need and have a right to expect.

Let us picture, for a moment, this reborn church.

It would be the Church of the Living God.

Its terms of admission would be love for God, as He is revealed in Christ and His living spirit, and the vital translation of that love into a Christlike life. Its atmosphere would be one of warmth, freedom and joy, welcoming to its fellowship all those who are striving to live useful and worthy lives. It would pronounce ordinance, ritual, creed all nonessential for admission into the Kingdom of God or His church. A life, not a creed, would be the test. As its first concern it would encourage Christian living seven days a week, 52 weeks a year. It would be the church of all the people, the rich and the poor, the wise and the ignorant, the high and the low -- a true democracy.

I see all denominational emphasis set aside. In smaller places, instead of half a dozen dying churches competing with each other I see one or two strong churches, uniting the Christian life of the town. I see the church through its members molding the thought of the world and leading in all great movements. I see it literally establishing the Kingdom of God on earth. Shall some such vision as this be realized? Upon the answer depends in large measure the future of the Christian Church.

There is another motive for a united church, no less compelling. It is the

necessity for cooperation if the forces of righteousness are to triumph in the eternal warfare against the forces of evil. The forces of evil, united on the common ground of their nefarious interests, are ever ready for aggressive action. The forces of righteousness are frequently so preoccupied with their petty differences that their attack upon the common foe is scattered and ineffective.

What the world craves today is a more spiritual and less formal religion. To the man or woman facing death, great conflict, the big problems of human life, the forms of religion are of minor concern, while the spirit of religion is a desperately needed source of comfort and strength.

If the various divisions of the church as organized today catch the vision and have the breadth, tolerance and courage to set aside all nonessentials, all barriers; if they will stand upon the bedrock principles of God's love and Christ's living spirit, "not satisfied," as Donald Hankey has said, "until the church is the church of all good men and women, until all good thoughts and deeds are laid at the feet of the Lord of all good life": the Church of the Living God will come into being, ushering in a new era of Christian unity.

What an opportunity! What a duty! In God's name I ask, does anyone dare let it pass?

What I have said thus far is the substance of an address which I made during the first World War. The convictions then expressed have only grown upon me with the passing years. I voice them now with even greater assurance as to their timeliness and present applicability. The bitter lessons taught by World War I have not saved us from the vastly greater conflagration of today. Nor has the church during the past quarter century put its house in order and with unity of action opposed the advancing hordes of the godless.

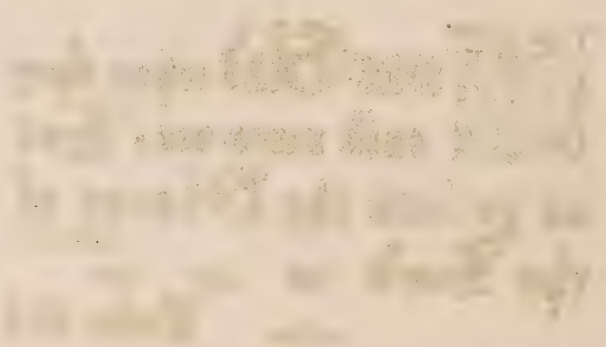
Today, as always, humanity craves the substance of religion while churches too often emphasize the form. Men have long looked to the church for religious training and spiritual inspiration that they may acquire both the knowledge and the will to take right actions in their daily lives. Their natural craving for religious guidance must not be repelled by alphabetical lists of denominational churches and agencies, when what they seek is so fundamental. Rather should they be able to get in any Christian church, whatever the style of its architecture or the shade of its belief, the spiritual wisdom and strength which they need to fit them for practical daily living.

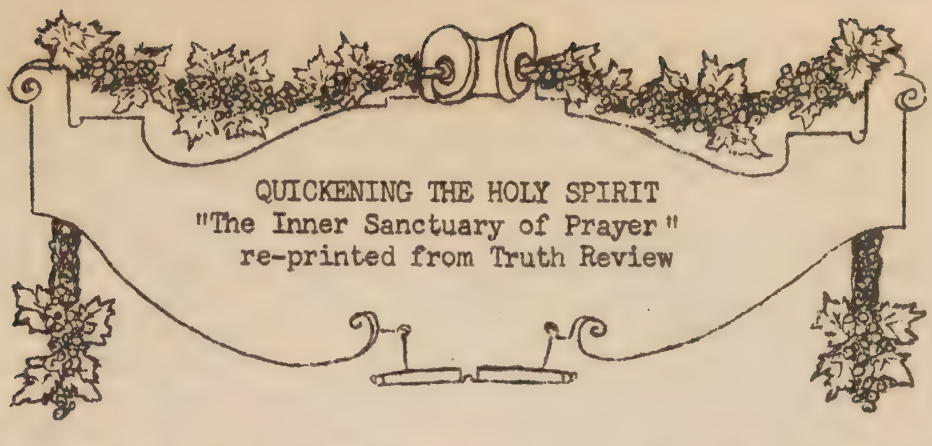
The artificial nature of denominational barriers has been made apparent many times during this war. On February 3, 1943, the cargo transport Dorchester was torpedoed and sunk in iceberg waters, 90 miles from Greenland. As the ship went down, four chaplains -- one a Catholic, one a Jew, two Protestants -- were on the deck encouraging the men and passing out life belts. When there were no life belts left, they took off their own and gave them away. These chaplains were last seen standing arm in arm praying.

As they went to their death, united in the service of their common Lord, so let us, the living members of the great religious faiths they represent, go forward shoulder to shoulder as a united army, fighting evil, establishing righteousness, brothers in service, sons of the one God and Father of us all!

I was Glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the House of the Lord

Psalm 122-1





QUICKENING THE HOLY SPIRIT

"The Inner Sanctuary of Prayer"
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"It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." -- John 6:63.

There is a comforting Spirit in the world that is able to meet every need of mankind. It is the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Spirit which Jesus said He would send into the world after His resurrection and ascension. This Spirit is also named the Christ Spirit or the Christ in man.

If you are discouraged, heavy hearted, burdened with anxieties, fears, ill-health, or financial limitation, the power of the Holy Spirit will take away your burdens and bring you health of mind and body and security in affairs. If you long for a greater realization of God's Presence in your life; if you seek the joy of living; the Holy Spirit will awaken your spiritual consciousness and flood your soul with the light of happiness. If you seek deeper understanding of life, the Spirit of Truth shall teach you all things.

The secret of receiving all these blessings, dear friend of the Inner Sanctuary, is found in quickening the Holy Spirit in you. Through the ministry of Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit has already been given to you. He dwells in the depths of your being but He must be quickened into life and activity. The power of the Spirit lies dormant within most of us and must be called forth to a livingness of expression. Like the disciples who struggled with the storm while Christ slept in their ship, we battle the hard currents of life with our Christ, our Holy Spirit, lying inert and forgotten at the core of being.

Through the manifestation of the Holy Spirit we become giants of power. Before the day of Pentecost, the disciples of Jesus made grievous errors and stumbled on the path of Truth. Although well trained by the Blessed Lord, and able to go forth and accomplish miracles of healing and transformation -- nevertheless, they failed to meet the great test of Jesus' crucifixion. Peter denied his Lord; Judas betrayed Him, and others fled in fear and uncertainty. However, after the great day of Pentecost, when the power of the Holy Spirit descended upon them and filled them with a sense of strength and fearlessness, those same blessed disciples went forth to accomplish the seemingly impossible task of establishing Christianity in the world. They became giants of power because the Holy Spirit had been quickened within them.

The Holy Spirit is light. It is the light of love, joy, life, wisdom, strength health, riches, and power. It builds an understanding mind, a forgiving heart, a joyous spirit, a sound and healthy body, and a beautiful and harmonious world. Why dwell in darkness when we are heirs to the light of life? Why walk in the valley of shadow when we can travel the suntipped heights? Why accept a life of limitation and frustration when we have power within us of great freedom and accomplishment?

The crux of the matter for us is our deep necessity for this spiritual quick-

ening. We are living in a New Age, the Age of the Holy Spirit in man as his Eternal or Christ Self. Life presses upon us today, demanding of us enlightenment, almost superhuman strength and endurance, and great wisdom and love to solve daily problems of human existence. It is the age of spiritual quickening -- of the resurrection of Christ in every man through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We hold out to you this hope -- that you may experience Holy Spirit quickening and thereby transform yourself and your world. The path of quickening is that of prayer, devotion and love to God, deep and intense longing for the Spirit, surrender to God in all things, and living the virtues of Truth in daily associations and activities. Thanks be to God, one does not have to be full of worldly wisdom, endowed with great riches, or a being of earthly power in order to experience spiritual awakening. The wisdom of God is mightier than the wisdom of man and it is revealed to the childlike in heart -- to the humble, the teachable -- to him who knows his dependence is upon God and God alone.

Have faith in the might of God in you. Realize that this might which is His Spirit in action, is already within you, and that you cannot escape the blessings of life if you realize the Holy Spirit in you and then direct its power to the accomplishment of all outer endeavors. The Holy Spirit places a rod of authority in your hand, a rod that is to be wielded through love, kindness, charity, unselfishness, and universal consciousness.

REALIZE THE LIMITLESS POWER OF DIVINITY

Reprinted from "My Messenger", Lilian Rendall

When I find that depletion or depression dulls the consciousness of My Presence, I seem to remember the weariness of the earth body, and I can recall how it came near to spoiling My Life's Work on the earth on three occasions. I can remember feeling as though all must be lost -- I could endure no more; but I also remembered that My Spirit was not suffering, it was only the physical body, and I realized that only when physical endurance was almost broken could the Spirit have complete mastery over the body. I want you to remember that.

When you feel, as you say, "down in the depths", that there is no light round you, and all earthly conditions seem to go against you, you would willingly lay your burden down and depart to a new condition where you hope things might be easier; then is the moment for you to remind yourself of the limitless power of Divinity within you. Say to yourself, "I have been brought almost to the breaking point, I have been plunged into what seems outer darkness, so that I may realize the limitless power of Divinity, so that I may see with my own eyes, may know and understand the brilliance, warmth and comfort of the Light that is so tightly held within my own self, and that only I can free."

I want you to realize that I too had thoughts of despair. I am giving you of My own experience during My earth Life, and I will tell you that always after those thoughts had nearly overcome Me, I gained freedom, I gained victory, I gained comfort.

If those who hold so much to the sadness of the manner of My passing, would only realize how soon the victory came, and how fleeting the moment of despair was, they would lose all that sadness. I do not like to think of it. Think of it only as an object lesson for yourselves at any time when you feel your road is dark, or your burden too heavy. Even if you cannot reach the freedom of the Spirit, you can raise yourselves into the consciousness of the larger self, and by dwelling on that, tide yourselves over a wave of depression, or a difficult part of your road. Learn to use the help that you know of; until you do that you cannot receive more. Live up to the highest principles you know; order your lives according to the leading you are given individually. I will guide you if you call, for I am with you always.

THE SELF-REVEALING LIGHT by Lillian DeWaters

It is only to the degree that we love, that the Mind of light and understanding is revealed to us. And love will also be the means of acquainting us with the body of light. Jesus, on the mount, presented his body changed from the usual human appearance to that of such brilliant light that it blinded the eyes of the three disciples with him. This is the true body: our real light-body, no less than his. It has outlines, as well as colors of imperishable beauty and loveliness.

No matter what you may call yourself or think that you may be, your real Christ state remains ever the same. It is unalterable, -- "the same yesterday, today and forever." Remember, the prodigal in Jesus' parable was still the rich man's son. Nothing, not even his belief in poverty, hunger and squalor could ever change his true identity; nor can anything change yours.

Man, by not giving himself up to the objective of his real Mind, heart and body (which truly comprise his identity), believing that he is but mortal and material, is in a state of false supposition. He is far from the discernment that there is but one all-inclusive Christ-Mind, one all inclusive Christ-Self, and one all-inclusive Christ-Body. He has wandered away from the true idea of Reality, and his eternal oneness with it; instead, he believes that he is ofhuman origin, so many years of age, and living in some city in a material world of strife. No wonder that Jesus called this state, or belief, "a far country"!

OUR IDENTITY IS ONE, NOT TWO! When this misconception of two men, the Immortal and the mortal, is cleared away, then will teachers and students cease identifying themselves with mortals, and hasten to claim their true estate as that of the Immortal, here and now, -- even in a so-called physical world.

Claiming that there is but One man who is spiritual and immortal always, and that inherently we are he, and yet continually contending with another man, called a "mortal", has resulted in a confused state of thought, since one does not see clearly how he can actually be the Spiritual perfect man and yet function in a physical, mortal state; nor what relationship, if any, he bears to a so-called mortal man.

There is a simple way out of this dilemma which has been disclosed by the Self-revealing Light, -- it is to stand definitely upon the platform that there is, and ever has been, but ONE man, -- God's man; and never swerve from this position.

Next, see that while this one man can never change his identity, nor sever his relationship with the Father, he may, however, (as illustrated in Jesus' parable and, obviously, in our own lives) operate in different states of awareness. His true state, or the state in which he functioned originally, and which state ever exists in him, even here and now, is called the Christ. Operating here, as Jesus exemplified to us in his own life, he is the Christ-Man, the immortal Son of God.

When it is clearly seen that the Immortal and a mortal are not two men but two states of the same man -- one the Real and the other the unreal, then the great confusion and the consequent misstatements regarding the Immortal man, and mortal man, will vanish, and with them will go other misconceptions as well, for the Self-revealing Light is indeed, far reaching.

Always the Christ state abides in man, and when he functions here he is verily the Christ-Man, and no other, even as Jesus was, and still is. Should man

choose to desire to take his possessions, and leave his Father's house (as related in the parable) inevitably he would wander (in belief) into another state, called a mortal state, to be more or less unconscious or unaware of the real truth of his Being; and here in this false and unreal state, he is wrongly termed a mortal man.

As we all know, in very truth, no state of sleep or dream ever changes one man into another, nor makes him two selves instead of one, as he really is. Though he may change from one state to another, though he may leave, apparently, one state for another, still he is ever the same man.

Body is one, not two! There will never be more than one Body, -- the Body of God. Your belief that your body is material in substance, hence mortal, and subject to pain, disease and death, must some day yield to the truth of Being, which is that man never has a personal body for which he is responsible: for the true light-body is always spiritual and perfect, since ever one with the perfect creation.

Man, functioning in his true or Christ state of Mind, expresses no other than the body of Christ. For how could it be otherwise?

Now, the term "the real man", which we often hear expressed among us, simply means yourself as you really are. There are never two selves of you, one the Spiritual, and the other a mortal. You are always one entity, -- God's man. You never have two minds, one the Divine, and the other a human mentality; nor do you ever have two bodies, one spiritual and perfect, and the other material and imperfect. You may, however, even as God's man (whom you know you are), entertain false beliefs. Is this not so?

Ever our identity is the same in sickness as in health, in death as in life, in a so-called physical world as in the real, spiritual universe. Therefore we should recognize ourselves as Immortals here and now, notwithstanding human beliefs and appearances to the contrary.

In our real state of awareness and manifestation we are the real Man who knows himself to be one with God. Only when we believe ourselves otherwise do we find a state where sin, sickness and death appear, and then call ourselves "poor mortals".

Jesus never believed himself to be a mortal man, as we have done. He was an Immortal who was aware of his immortal Nature. He knew that he and the Father were one and identical. He spoke and acted from his God-Being. He knew that he was the Life, the Truth and the Way, and he said so, for he knew that the one-Life includes all life, and the one-Being includes all being.

THE BLIND SHALL SEE

Helen Keller

I am conscious of the splendor that binds all things of earth to all things of heaven -- immured by silence and darkness, I possess the light which shall give me vision a thousandfold when death sets me free.

THE FINAL FOUNDATION

by A. K. Mozumdar

"New Messianic World Message"

On the shoreless Eternity all things rest, and they are all bound together by a common bond of fellowship. In the undercurrent of all expressions of Life Its order is never disturbed. All creation is well sustained and supported. Disorder and chaos are noticeable only in the surface aspect of things. Is the ocean bed disturbed by the storm swept surface? Never. Is the Power back of your mind affected by your mental disorder? Never. WHEN MAN BRINGS OUTER DISORDER INTO TUNE WITH HIS INNER ORDER, HE MANIFESTS PERFECT HEALTH, HAPPINESS, AND PEACE. When man reaches the very Foundation of this life, either through earnest prayer or through meditation, he automatically dispells all undesirable conditions. The ANSWER TO MAN'S PRAYER IS IN THE VERY NATURE OF HIS BEING. The words that are expressive of his inner desire and that are intended to reach the Supreme Foundation of all creation, stimulate and direct his mind to the very undercurrent of Life's order and harmony. Hence, through prayer many find rest and peace. When the sun goes down behind man's mental horizon and darkness overtakes him, oh, what comfort he finds in praying to the Infinite Light! Almost unknowingly he stands in Eternity's Presence. He touches the Infinite, and the Infinite touches his soul.

When the Infinite awakens before your vision, space pulsates with Life. The moment space becomes the Life Omniscient, you find yourself standing in the Presence of the Infinite -- nay, you find yourself in the eternal embrace of the Infinite. When the Infinite claims you, It becomes all in your life. You belong to the Infinite, and the Infinite belongs to you. Hence, the Infinite is your Life. Thus you become Infinite in your consciousness. Life's sweet dream in the eternal embrace of the Infinite is the consciousness of Immortality. This is the dawn of the Eternal Day.

THERE IS A FINAL FOUNDATION OF ALL MANIFESTATION, AND THAT FOUNDATION IS UNSHAKABLE -- IT HAS ENDURED FOR EONS OF TIME, AND IT WILL ENDURE FOREVER. Man's dream, inspiration, and aspiration are all based on this Eternal Foundation. Whosoever denies this Foundation invites death, and he will die unto himself.

The basic Nature of man is the Eternal Fountain of life. This Fountain is ceaselessly sending forth the Living water of new life and inspiration to all creatures. Its scope and capacity for action are limitless and infinite. The concept of limitation, fear, and death cannot forever stand the inner pressure of the Infinite. It must give way; it cannot go on forever. Man, whose background is the Infinite, must be released from finitude -- the illusion of mortality.

IN SPIRIT ALL THINGS ARE FULFILLED. In Spirit life's hope and aspiration never die. The eternal blessings of the Infinite are poured out upon you. You walk no more through the valley of sorrow and sadness, but infinite gladness fills your heart. When out of the ashes of the dead hope a new hope rises, you see your world flooded with light. Then you feel the Presence of the Infinite all about you. It is the innate Immortality in you which gives you hope and courage to labor for things not yet realized. You have never seen the future, yet you have trust in it. This trust is inborn. It is your intuitive knowledge of your own Immortality.

At one with the unshakable Foundation of creation, man finds himself immovable. Thus, at one with the Infinite, man becomes conscious of being the Infinite in Essence. The immovable Infinite Life becomes his Life. In this Life man finds eternal rest and peace. The storms of the passion-world may rise and fall but they cannot touch him who has reached the Foundation of creation.

LIVING FOR ETERNITY

The two worlds
— physical and invisible

adapted from an article

"ANDREW JACKSON DAVIS"

by Manly P. Hall

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As a young man Andrew Jackson Davis seemed to possess innately within himself the power of psychical perception. As a psychically sensitive person, he lived in a strange world of invisible values, of semi-tangible symbolism. A patient observer of psychical things, a recorder, Andrew Jackson Davis worked with the sick and suffering, tried to improve the state of man through simple means. So, he becomes a pattern for procedure with spiritualism, a symbol of what the better psychical research really is. He lived his life making use of the sensitive powers he possessed without attempting any colossal and fantastic use of the reforms which came through to him. His books are the best balanced and organized of all psychical literature on phenomena.

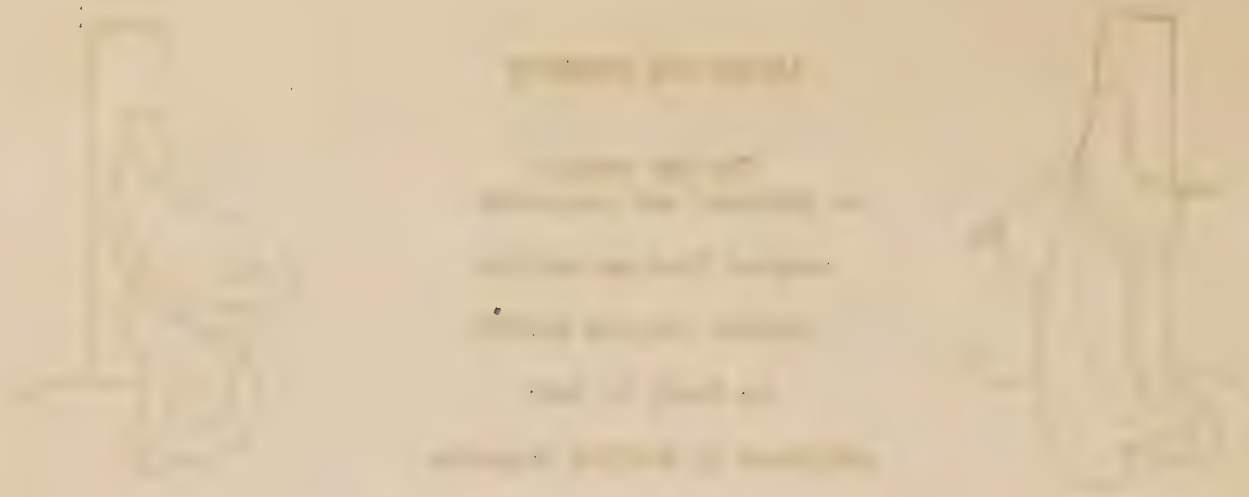
Not in line to copy anyone else, Andrew Jackson Davis settled down to the things he himself had seen and known. His research had the validity of being his own, uncorrupted by any prevailing system of thought. Later, research by other men, highly trained clairvoyants, has substantiated his principal findings, and this has revealed Davis as a man capable of seeing things and keeping the things he saw in proper order, bringing them through in a way that was reasonable, intelligent, and rational.

One outstanding contribution of Davis in the field of the invisible world and its mysteries, is this exactness, almost precise, scientific, in his discussion of the method of transition between the two worlds, and the method of communication between the worlds. He shows and describes to us exactly what happens in the phenomena of death -- the exact state of the various bodies and vehicles of man in the after-death state.

Another important contribution is his struggle to tie up his psychical research with something practical. In this again, the amateur falls down. Discovery is easy in the realm of the mystical, but if you come upon anything of value, you must use it for something that will work. So, Davis set himself to find out how to make psychical facts valuable to the life of the individual. He sought to answer how could the knowledge of the contact between the two worlds contribute to the physical efficiency of the persons in this world? Davis turned to the healing art. He began the process of applying psychical laws to medicine with really amazing results. He was able to develop a great many formulas and medicines for correcting sickness, a most practical use for metaphysical speculation.

How would the knowledge of the invisible world and its laws contribute to our present physical life, making that life a better one to live and easier for others around us? -- that is a thought which Andrew Jackson Davis summed up in the idea that the physical universe is contained within the invisible universe. The world of spirit surrounds the world of form. Spirit penetrates and permeates through all the parts of form. And, so to speak, we are living in the midst of a spirit life.

Davis did not designate, mentally did not define the existence of man's ex-



perience after death. To him the important thing was that all life is flowing toward a spiritual state. Just as rivers empty into the ocean, so all physical lives are flowing and emptying into the great sea of spiritual life. We are impermanent residents of the physical state, destined by a power far beyond our own to pass beyond the veil between the seen and unseen, to become in our turn part of the population of the invisible world.

This thought to him revealed a great many things. But first, it justified the experiment of research into psychical phenomena. As long as we are all moving inevitably toward a different condition of being, we really should give the matter a little intelligent consideration. This eventuality should not lead us to morbid introspection; there is nothing morbid about change. Knowing this transition is going to occur, the problem arises as to how we are going to build up toward it. We know we should not worry, be anxiously concerned, we should be normal about it; the transition is to be recognized as a factor in living, just as surely as we recognize spring, summer, fall and winter as seasons for which we prepare. But most people come to it utterly unfitted and unprepared, and, usually, not too full of grace as the result of the way they have lived here.

Preparation for after-life

Andrew Jackson Davis became convinced that long before we could live here normally physically, we would have to include the transitional and after-death state in our philosophy of life. We would, in other words, have to build on the same kind of philosophy that causes us to build a home, establish ourselves in a community, or prepare ourselves for a profession. The ordinary smug philosophy of life gradually evolves until it includes the period from maturity to the grave. Our perspective should be larger, according to Andrew Jackson Davis; we should include the transitional period, and the after-death period. He explained further that as we establish the after-death life as a bigger experience than the physical existence, we shall overcome a great many evils, political, industrial.

Consider the physical world: Instead of being the end for which all men live, it is the front door to something else. The intensity of competition, the impulse toward exploitation, the ambitions toward world power, these befog the picture of the actual life of which we are a part. We sorely need a different method of accomplishing the things we want to do. Widening the focus of attention now utterly upon his physical existence, man begins to think in terms of his citizenship in two worlds of experience, man would at once realize that nothing is important here unless it is important in that other state. Accomplishment would be seen as worth little, achieving little, unless it achieves in both worlds at the same time. If we achieve only in this world, then our achievement ceases with our physical existence, and we are bankrupt in the next. If we achieve only in the next world, then we are bankrupt here.

Living in both spheres successfully

If we fail to live well here, we overshadow the other world with false and worthless attitudes. What type of life then does achieve in both spheres simultaneously? The answer is obvious. It must be an internal life, a life of rich values, a life that has so much principle in it that we discover the realization of Law and Principle to be the common denominator of both worlds. When we live Truth, we live in both spheres successfully. When we live with the realization that the development and unfoldment of our own better nature is the essential denominator on both planes of life, then we begin to live for eternity instead of for a time. We live toward the transition, instead of constantly living in the illusions of the transient physical life.

Realizing that he was constantly surrounded by a sphere of invisible things, the development of Davis brought his speculation to another interesting point. He could live in either the physical or invisible world, according to his desire. Living in two worlds gave him an interesting problem to work out.

Relationship between the two worlds

He interpreted the relationship between these two worlds this way: Men lived constantly surrounded by spirits, spirits lived constantly surrounded by human beings. That is, we are just as close to spirits as the spirits are to us. Our world impinges upon their

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Living in two worlds

world to the same degree their world impinges upon ours. According to Davis, by his own experiments, it was a subtle, internal process, like turning the dial on a radio to tune in a station, which suddenly changed the world you lived in. Both worlds are the same place. You do not go anywhere. You do not go to a distance and become a participator in a strange land, but in yourself you can cause to die out one sphere of existence, you enter into another.

The two worlds so close together always, Davis wondered how much one affected the other. Could we exist in the other's rate of vibration if we were in tune? Would it have any effect upon us? Is it not possible that inside of man there are parts and members capable of feeling these vibrations not susceptible to other parts? Is there anything taking place in the invisible world that does not affect us to some degree, even though we are unaware of it? What, then, is the effect of the world of the invisible upon matter? What is the effect of the dead upon the living? Is there an effect, whether we know it or not? Is there concourse between these two worlds? It was these problems that Andrew Jackson Davis set out to investigate and bring in his testimony.

His conclusions: The two worlds do meet. There is a powerful relationship between the objective and subjective worlds. The worlds meet in several ways; in the individual through certain sensitive parts of the body, and in the lives of individuals in periods of stress and strain by which their function is changed. They meet also in society itself. And they meet in a still larger way in certain times or cycles in the world's history. (There was a time in the history of the world when invisible beings were visible to man -- when the spirits mingled their lives with the lives of men. When these worlds approached to a closer proximity the invisible universe coming into closer sympathy with the visible, there were periods of greater spirituality. Plato called it the Cycle of Fertility, the Golden Age. Also, with the end of the Age comes a renaissance of spiritual culture, and the worlds come together again.)

Man's life is under the same influence. A child a few minutes old and an aged person with only a few seconds to live are both closer to the invisible world than the matured individual who has every physical faculty awakened and tuned in. Life at the beginning and at the end -- and even industrial enterprises in their first state and in their last -- come closer to the spiritual.

Davis decided too that the small hours of the morning, the low zero hours, are those in which you have the closest contact between the two universes, and that under stress and strain it is quite possible for anyone to become temporarily psychic. This makes it important that every person, regardless of his education and state, should know something about what psychism is. Only then can he take it wisely and not draw fantastic conclusions from any peculiar experiences that come to him.

The subject of psychical phenomena is so well established it is the duty of education to include it at least in an intelligent survey. Casting shadows of things to come to education, several universities are now making research into psychical phenomena. Some superstitions of the last century are going to be the great psychical facts of tomorrow. We have worn out the old ideas, and we need new ones; need them to live reasonably and well.

Andrew Jackson Davis saw between the two worlds a constant interplay, a mystical, intangible play of forces -- weaving a fabric making one world out of two, one visible and the other invisible. This one world made of two worlds, is our world, the place where we live. Whether we live visibly or invisibly is unimportant, we live in these two parts of our own world. They make up our own life and are constantly related to each other, even as the parts of day and night are related to each other.

As surely then as we sleep or wake, thus abiding in two conditions, so surely we live in two states, the physical and metaphysical states. In every thought we think, in every place we go, we must live in the realization of that two-fold existence, build for it, think rationally, constructively, and optimistically about our relation to these two conditions. If we do that we shall live better here, and hereafter.

THE PEACE FLOWER

Legend of the Jasmine

from "Magic Gardens", by

Corinne Heline

Angels hold converse with each other and with mortals by means of color. An assemblage of angels when engaged in healing prayers for the bestowal of blessings upon humanity appear as a glory of variegated clouds that fleck the sky in the hours of dawn or at sunset time.

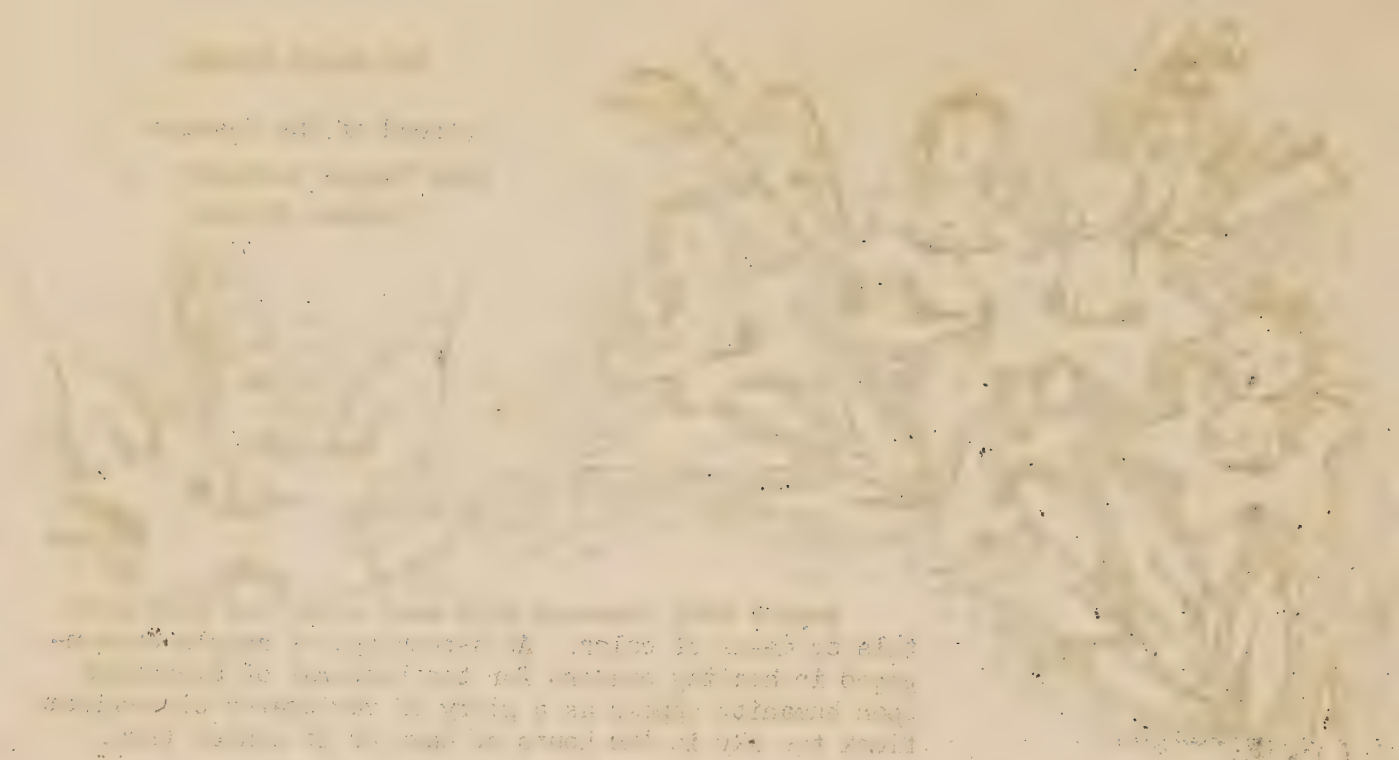
On particular days which have been set aside as national holidays in commemoration of those who have laid down their lives upon the battlefields of their country, the angels who work most intimately with man are particularly active in broadcasting thoughts and prayers for peace throughout the world.

White is the light that suffuses a land when observing nationally the sacred memory of its war-time dead. Above the tall marble shafts that rise so proudly toward the blue, and beneath which sleep the honored dead, the angels hover in mighty companies of peace. Their chorals are of the time when war shall be no more. They sing of the coming day of brotherhood when the hearts of all mankind shall be indissolubly united in bonds of fellowship and love. As they sing of this nobler, peaceful world to be, its likeness is impressed upon the ethers in ideal patterns which sweep across the skies where all whose inner sight is active may see and know what is to be. In that celestial picture of promise may be seen the joyousness of the people, the radiance of their countenances and the love and trust which they all hold toward one another. Their beautiful domiciles are emblazoned in works of art and overhung with clusters of fruits and flowers. Slender spires gleaming like silhouettes of ancient tapestries are fashioned amid the stars. It is a realm of eternal loveliness, a land which can never be despoiled by shrapnel nor bomb. Its gates are always open wide for whomsoever wills to enter in and taste of that wondrous peace which passeth all understanding.

The angels, too, seem transported in joy with the divine beauty of this ideal which they fashion above the earth and which by the power and rhythm of their celestial songs they seem to build into the very souls of men. So powerful are their radiations and so intense the rhythms, that all the earth is beginning to sense the meanings of a world-wide peace.

Winging through the vast ethereal expanses, hosts of angels gather some of the fairest, whitest and most fragrant blossoms which adorn their etheric Land of Eternal Peace. These flowers they bring to the dust-haunted aisles of earth. They are of ethereal whiteness and celestial sweetness for of all flowers the Jasmine is most fragrant.

The snowy whiteness of the Jasmine-flower reflects divine peace; its fragrance, the prayers of angels. From the heart of this blossom, streamers of goodwill ray out to all the world; from its petals are broadcast the powers of peace. During the silent hours of the night when stars alone watch over the white sepulchral cities built to the memory of those who have died for the betterment of man, angels often pause to sing of the coming day when these silent acres shall be no more. It is then that the fragrance of the Jasmine, the peace flower, broods in a white, healing magic above the heart of the sleeping world.



NEW AGE VISION

by Lawrence Boren

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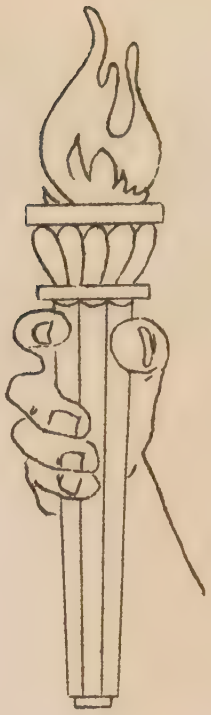

"The darkest hours are just before the dawn" --

I see upon the horizon lost to earthly eyes a New Day dawning for the human race -- a Day that heralds the beginning of the long prophesied, long dreamed of millennium that all creation awaits, breathless in expectancy and trembling with anticipation. I behold the Sun of Everlasting Life, Light and Love rising in the eastern skies to set no more, while westward the Star of New Age Promise takes its flight. (But only those who live in the Light, can survive under the penetrating rays of that Eternal Sun and only those who follow the true direction of human progress can follow the gleam of that radiant Star in the Heavens.)

I see a selfish and aggressive humanity, having sown the seeds of its own undoing, expend its dying breaths in a struggle to the death with the Frankensteinian monster that it created,-- while the Divinely protected meek inherit the earth, and vindicate the truth that few would believe: Right shall triumph in the end.

I see destruction at its height, but it is the destruction of false values, not true and permanent ones. It is the destruction of old, limited conceptions and the crystallized forms they have taken, that new and Universal ones may be born, and be born they must, whether from the old or after the old have been cleared away.

Though the satanic darkness of war now holds the earth enthralled, I see the Christ Light of Universal Peace finding birth through the hearts and minds of the pioneers of the next Great Race, -- a New and Universal Race, recruited from all peoples of all races and nationalities who have become Universal-minded, and who aspire to follow the Magnificent Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life. As souls they come as trailing clouds of glory from out of the far-flung night of time to restore to an improvident world its long lost Golden Age, and regain for it the Paradise it once knew, where the Gods shall again walk the earth as of old. Citizens of the future, they go about their Father's business of bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to earth. No obstacle can impede their Great Work -- no problem can long challenge their progress, for their strength is of superhuman derivation, and their inspired faith in Divine Guidance can move mountains.

Having severed themselves from the Old Order and its status quo by a New Declaration of Independence, they stand from under its shattering collapse -- a collapse that carries down with it the chaff who have not allied themselves with an Idea whose time has come. I see them as beacon lights that never fail, shining before men and glorifying the Father everlastingly as they lead a prodigal humanity in the way of the return to spiritual values. I see them slowly but surely free the world from the bonds of spiritual blindness, conquering evil with Good; overcoming hatred with Love; dispelling ignorance with Wisdom; replacing fear with Trust; rugged individualism with Universal Brotherhood; selfish profiteering with Unselfish Service, and narrow nationalism with Unbounded Internationalism. Harbingers of a new era of human achievement, crusaders for the world of tomorrow, they faithfully and silently circulate like white corpuscles in the blood stream of a diseased society, shaping the patterns of the future that they dare to live for, work for, and suffer for.

As a result of their consecrated and tireless efforts, behold: All things have been made new. Enthroned in the Name of the Most High I see the eternal

trinity of Truth, Beauty and Goodness, to reign supreme forevermore. I see for all mankind a common religion, a common government, a common language, and a common goal in the process of achievement by a common effort. I see no more the God of money; no more the haves and the have-nots; no more poverty or unemployment, sickness or death, injury or crime; no more a world dominated by militarism, commercialism, or mentalism. The world of the future has been purged of all these things, and remains exalted by its Righteousness forever under God ...

Awake with the dawn of a New Day! ... Ally thyself with the Powers of Light in the name of human progress! ... Arise and be about thy Father's business! ... The Old is going, falling of its own weight. Come usher in the New! ...

THINGS TO BE REMEMBERED

(from Weekly Unity, April 14, 1945)

To make our world safe from the ravages of war we must find some principle upon which all people can agree, and for this principle we must look deeper than the appearance of things. The true, gentle man in each of us must seek for and find the true, gentle man in the other fellow.

A very fine example of how it is possible for enemies to get together in spirit and in truth was brought to our attention in an item appearing in a recent daily paper. It was a story of something that happened a short time ago in a little German town captured by the Allies.

It seems that arrangements had been made for some Allied soldiers to attend mass in a Roman Catholic church of the town, and a half hour later another mass for German civilians was scheduled. But a strange thing happened. While the Allied soldiers were in attendance at the first service, which was conducted by a British army priest, about two hundred German civilians entered the church and knelt beside them.

Apparently the church was so well filled that some of the British and American soldiers could not get in, and these waited for the second mass, which was celebrated by a German priest. Here was found a common ground of agreement in a church service, and those who had been enemies in the fury of war found that they were brothers and sisters in the presence of God because these Allied soldiers and German civilians felt a common desire for spiritual uplift, these erstwhile enemies found a place of agreement, of peace and harmony in the spirit of prayer.

If the power of God is allowed to have an important part in the adjustment of world affairs after the war is over, the good side in all people will respond. Heaven must be brought into the earth, but creeds, cults, and cupidity must bow and give way before the universal spirit of God's love.

CHRISTUS CONSOLATOR

Rossiter Raymond

Beside the dead I knelt in prayer
And felt a presence as I prayed;
Lo, it was Jesus standing there;
He smiled: "Be not afraid."
Lord, Thou hast conquered death we know;
Restore again to life, I said,
This one who died an hour ago;
He smiled: "He is not dead."
Asleep then, as Thyself didst say,
Yet Thou canst lift the lids that keep
The prisoned eyes from ours away;
He smiled: "He doth not sleep."
Nay then, though haply he doth wake
And look upon some fairer dawn,
Restore him to our hearts that ache;
He smiled: "He is not gone."
Alas, too well we know our loss,
Nor hope again our joy to touch
Until the stream of death we cross;
He smiled: "There is no such."
Yet our beloved seem so far,
The while we yearn to feel them near,
Albeit with Thee we know they are;
He smiled: "And I am here."
Dear Lord, how shall we know that they
Still walk unseen with us and Thee,
Nor sleep nor wander far away?
He smiled: "Abide in Me."

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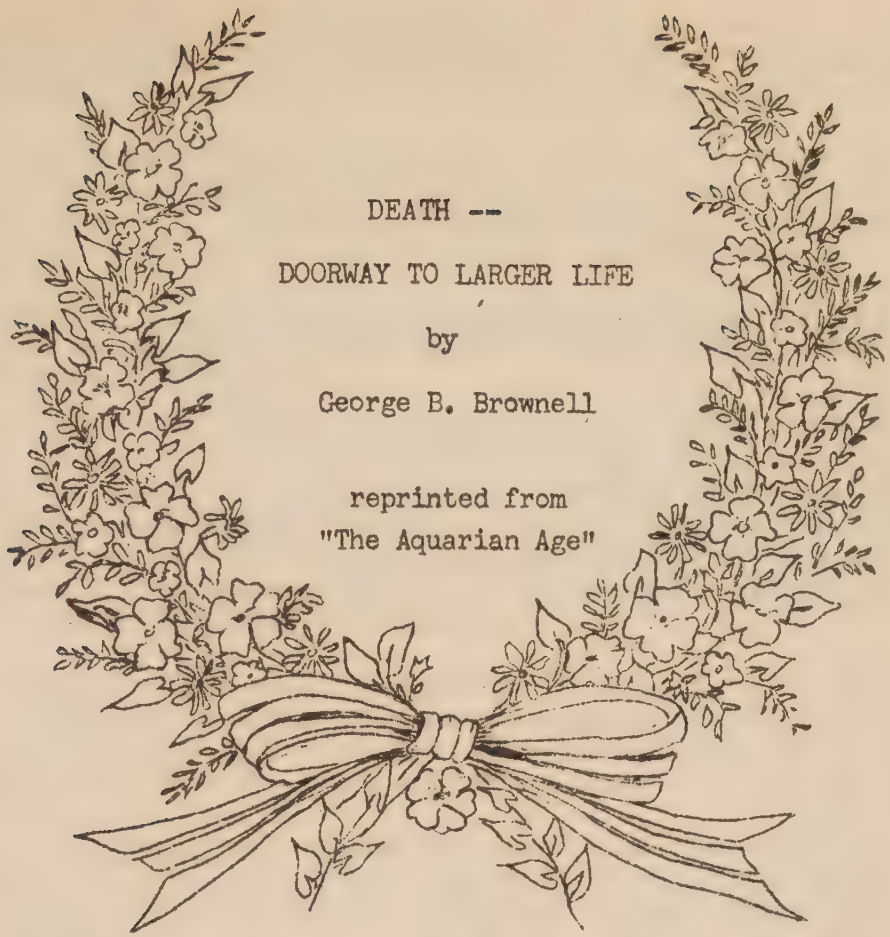

DEATH --
DOORWAY TO LARGER LIFE

by

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And that the dead are raised has been indicated by Moses in the passage on the Bush, when he calls the Lord "God of Abraham, and God of Isaac, and God of Jacob." God is not a God of dead people, but of the living, for all live in Him. Luke 20:37 (Moffatt's trans.)

Conan Doyle, famed for his Sherlock Holmes stories, addressing a gathering of 8,000 people in England, asked those to stand who had contacted departed loved ones killed on the war fronts, and about 6,000 stood up.

What peace of mind and solace has come to thousands of mothers and fathers, relatives and friends, to be assured that their loved ones were alive and that they would see them again.

In almost every instance where contact has been made, advice has come from the departed not to grieve or sorrow, but to turn to the tasks of life with joy, and to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities life offers here on this plane for soul growth.

Occasionally we see notices in the papers requesting that there be no mourning. This is one of the signs of the new enlightenment. The death of Ellen Terry, and others, has made a deep impression on many minds, for she requested that no one come to her funeral sad or wearing black. Her request was observed, and all came dressed as if to attend a garden party or other social function.

The wearing of black has come down to us from pagan times and many because of tradition or precedent wear this robe of gloom for a long period. Often if this or other customs are not in some degree respected, one is accused of being unsympathetic or heartless.

The Chinese and Japanese are wiser than we in this respect, for they wear white, and one of the striking things at the interment of the last Mikado, was the white mourning robes worn by the priests and populace in the procession.

The wearing of black has an unwholesome effect not only upon the wearer, but upon others. Color-therapeutists tell us that black is depressing to the spirit, and should never be worn, especially not by the young. It is the emblem of hopelessness, despair, death and was used by pirates for their flag.

All who mourn or grieve create an atmosphere about them that has an unwholesome effect upon other members of the family and particularly on children who are in their most impressionable years.

The study of mind and mental influences shows that our thoughts are constantly bombarding the atmosphere about us with radioactive particles which carry the quality of our thinking. If our thoughts are melancholy or gloomy, the atmosphere about us is charged with morbid vibrations. If our thoughts are bright, cheerful, happy, the atmosphere is redolent with light and healing influences that make for health, happiness and general well-being. A person with a radiant aura is surely a blessing to all who come into his presence.

And why should we give so much attention to this house of clay which after all is only a temporary dwelling place for the ego or soul to function in to expand faculties and unfold latent powers. The soul is native to Eternal Spheres, realms of benediction, and its short stay here is only a sojourn on foreign soil.

Doctors and ministers who realize the harmful effects of grief are advising the bereaved not to dwell upon their loss, but to enter into the joy of living, engage in some kind of useful service, anything that will divert their minds from the cause of grief. This advice is in exact agreement with what the departed always recommend. The last thing they desire is that we mourn for them. They have entered into a larger life, into a new joy and happiness with greater opportunities for growth and creative service, and they desire that we do the same here.

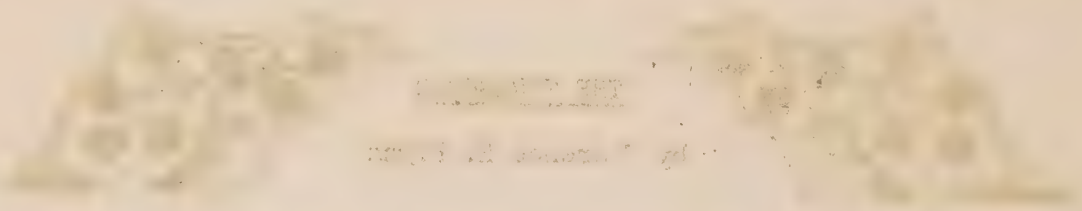
Cremation is universally practised by the Hindus and the idea came to them from the original Brahmins in an age of great enlightenment. It is recommended by all higher intelligences as the simplest, least costly, and most sanitary means of disposing of the discarded form -- the worn-out or outgrown garment of the soul.

A great deal of attention and money is still lavished on cemeteries, and huge sums spent on tombstones, monuments and mausoleums. In some cemeteries repose family mausoleums that cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. What waste follows in the path of ignorance? What a vast amount of good this money spent on the dead could do for the living.

THE THRESHOLD

by Clarence E. Flynn

One of the greatest of mysteries, perhaps the supreme mystery, has always been that which we call dying. What is it like? Is it an end or a beginning? What, if anything, lies beyond it? The evidence indicates that man has from the first contemplated it with great seriousness and tried most earnestly to discover what it is and what it means. Thoughtful men in every generation have raised the question and expressed faith in survival. Perhaps it is easier for one who feels cheated in life or one whose earthly span is nearing its end to look



for an existence in which he will have a better chance. At the same time I am sure many of the testimonies of faith in the continuance of life spring from something deep and elemental, some silent, inward recognition of a real though undemonstrable fact.

Those who have spoken significantly as they have crossed the border of the unseen have been many and some of them notable. When Stonewall Jackson lay dying from the errant bullet of one of his own soldiers he was heard to say: "Let us pass on over the river and rest among the trees." When his great superior officer, General Robert E. Lee, came to his passing hour he said with that laconic terseness which characterized his speech, "Strike the tent."

As his earthly days drew to a close Thomas A. Edison, who was certainly neither a dogmatist nor a sentimentalist, became interested in the question of survival after death, and concerned himself with investigations that he said would definitely prove or disprove it. Whatever the result of the investigation turned out to be, a day came when experience spoke. As the old inventor was slipping through those final hours of struggle between the forces of life and those of death he was suddenly heard to say: "It is very beautiful over there."

There are data enough to demand our consideration. For one thing, practically all the religions teach the survival of personality, and practically all the peoples of the past have had some notion of it.

So many trustworthy people, both great and humble, have had such experiences with what seemed to be the life of the other world that one must at least give them credit for making honest and sincere statements. One catches the echoes of their beliefs in almost every important thing one hears or reads these days. Surely the fact that this belief is so widespread is something worth considering.

Too many men with strong and even scientific minds have had too positive views on the subject for it to be lightly brushed aside. Among them have been -- Sir William Crookes, Sir Oliver Lodge, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Socrates of Athens, who assured an inquiring spokesman for his friends that they might bury him any way they pleased -- if they could catch him.

All the negative arguments I have heard were dogmatic or weak, or both. Some say the future life has not been proved, which by no means disproves it. Some say the question lies outside their field of study or that they lack data, which is merely avoiding the issue. Some say they do not want to lay themselves open to the charge of being gullible, not realizing that there is a worse thing than being gullible, namely having a closed mind.

As for me, the question has never troubled me much. It has not needed to. I feel that in accepting the idea of the future life I am not mistaken, but if I were mistaken I should lose nothing. I would rather believe in the future life and be mistaken than to reject it and be mistaken.

Physically I have been several different people since I was born, but personally I have been only one. I have only to stand before the mirror and hold up an old photograph to see that the body I once lived in has died and that I have passed into another. A succession of photographs shows that this has happened again and again.

This is constantly happening to each of us, so naturally, so easily, so silently that we are not even conscious of it. Yet every now and then we find ourselves in a new body, clearly conscious of our existence when we were living in a body that time has long since taken from us. The fact that the body in which we once dwelt has remingled with the elements does not concern or hurt us in the least. We are through with it.

The point is that death and resurrection are nothing new. We have all experienced them again and again, and our personal identity has not been damaged or changed by the experience. They are not experiences that we are approaching but experiences that we are passing through all the time. Nor are they experiences that need occasion the slightest dread or fear. We have learned from the deaths and resurrections we have experienced that they do not constitute annihilation but that they are merely steps in the unfolding of life.

The spiritual body that will finally replace the body of clay? Yes, nature has her instances of that too. Here is a fragrant rose or a spotless lily. What is it? Transformed clay. A little while ago it was earth, but the miracle of life stirred in the soil and it was gradually transformed into a new image. The pull of life is always on and up to something new and better.

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THE ANGEL OF DEATH

The Transition of an Enlightened One

Recently it was my great privilege to abide for a time in the blessed aura of the Angel of Death as the sands of finite time were running low for one of earth's rare and sainted spirits. So powerful were the radiations of this benign Being that they enveloped the immediate surroundings with an atmosphere of peace and love and harmony. To all who came near, it gave uplift and blessing.

To the pure all things are pure -- a statement of a deeply occult truth. Each Ego makes its own environment, hence when answering the summons of the Angel of Death it but meets itself. The Presence that draws near is a composite of its own character, a sum total of the radiations that have made up the life just closing. It is for this reason that the Angel of Death has been variously described. To some it is a cold, sinister, terrifying Being; to others a tender, loving Presence, or again a Visitor of divine majesty and sublimity.

The bright spirit whose earth pilgrimage was just ending had been a benediction of love and beauty to all whose lives she touched. Such, therefore, was the very essence of her life which the Death Angel gathered and now radiated into the environment of the departing spirit. Here came no dark and forbidding Being, but one who was luminous and fragrant with the qualities of the parting spirit's life and works. Such being its character, everything within its sphere was blessed and renewed by it.

For many hours this great Presence hovered near, transforming the very atmosphere into a radiant glory while above the departing one, groups of angels sang in triumphant chorusing, "It is finished -- It is finished -- It is finished."

The outward setting harmonized with the inner scene. Added to the white aura of the prayers of her many loving friends were the fragrance of flowers and the soft strains of earthly music. Softly, gently as the golden glow of the setting sun crowns a perfect day did the spirit pass from this plane to another. Mortality was put aside for immortality and earth exchanged for heaven. Amid angelic companioning an exalted spirit was at home.

It was to such illumined ones that Paul addressed his words: O death, where is thy sting; O grave, where is thy victory! -- C. D. H.

THE UNSEEN PRESENCE

-- by Anita Scofield

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Science of Mind

"The things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal."
-- II Corinthians 4:18

"The natural man receiveth not the things of the spirit; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned." -- I Corinthians 2:14

As a great variety of radio broadcasts are vibrating through the ethers of space and surrounding our radios awaiting the turn of the dial for our acceptance, so Life itself, with all its infinite variety of concepts, lies within the field of unawareness all about us awaiting the focus of our attention upon it that it may reveal itself to our recognition.

Our mental radios are portable and we are at all times intentionally or unintentionally turning the dial and selecting a broadcast to which we give our attention. These broadcasts are not limited to time or space, but are immediately at the point of our recognition. No program is more distant than the wave length upon which it travels. If our perception can tune in on the thoughts that travel at the higher vibratory rates, our power of apprehension is expanded to include wider vistas of awareness.

Yesterday I carried my mental radio to the funeral service being held for a friend at beautiful Forest Lawn in the Little Church of the Flowers. I heard those words of St. Paul's spoken there. After the service, my radio tuned in on that thought, I walked alone through the park, yet not alone, for I was accompanied by the Unseen Presence who spoke to me as we went along, interpreting all that my eyes beheld in the light of that concept.

We reached the top of a high terrace beneath the Tower of Legends and paused a moment to take in the breath-taking beauty of the scene that lay before us: the tall green trees above, the spreading lawns, protecting shrubbery, winding drives and graceful pool below, and beautiful statuary everywhere. In the stillness the Unseen Presence of nature's beauty seemed to be saying, "We are here to tell you about the beautiful things of the inner world; the temporal is but a witness of the Eternal. All that your two outer eyes are seeing is in a constant process of change and renewal; that which sustains it is the unchanging Eternal, the hidden kinship of One Omnipresent Reality, and seen only with the inner eye of the soul."

We walked on and soon entered the great terraced mausoleum, the corridors of which were lined on either side with beautiful sanctuaries and in each one there breathed the angel of some hallowed conception such as "Sanctuary of Radiance", "Sanctuary of Peace", "Sanctuary of Security", "Sanctuary of Love", "Sanctuary of the Nativity" and the like. The sun streamed through the stained glass windows which seemed to come alive as we gazed up at them, and their angel presence spoke, imparting to my awareness their special message of living beauty. All so silent, yet filled with the echoes of the soundless voice of the Unseen Presence.

Coming again into the open, we arrived at the entrance of the Memorial Court of Honor and just outside, inscribed upon a wall where all may read and receive its inspiration, stands "The Builder's Creed". As I read this the selector of my radio moved and tuned me in on the great ideal and vision given to the mind and heart of "The Builder" from that one eternal Unseen Presence. I beheld the unlimited power of expansion contained in an inspired conception and how the "way"

opens for "one whom a dream hath possessed."

These mind radios of ours -- what wonderful instruments of apprehension they are, by which we may literally move out into the unseen worlds about us and lay hold of the Eternal Life, terrace upon terrace, in ever-expanding circles of greater awareness.

Others there were who seemed tuned in on broadcasts from the world of the dead which was all about them, occuping in the seen world the same space and time as the world of the living unseen from which I was receiving my program, but for which they had neither eyes nor ears only because their attention was focused upon other wave lengths. They were seeing and hearing the echoes of their empty hearts now bereft and heavy-laden with grief in the belief that they had sustained a loss because that which was seen had passed from their sight.

The Unseen Presence seemed to say to me: "Man, why weepest thou? Why look ye for the living among the dead and into the tomb for that which is not there? Re-focus your gaze; look again and behold me. I am the Unseen Presence Eternal of all you have ever loved. Take the yoke of my companionship upon you and your burdens shall become light and your prison walls of crystallized concepts shall crumble and set your eyes free to see me and your ears free to hear the broadcasting of the Angelic Hosts, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

Awake! thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, temporal concepts of life, and Christ, the Unseen Omnipresent One indwelling all life, shall give you light with which to behold a new world descending out of Heaven wherein abides our universal and eternal Self unaffected by the changing tides of birth and death.

FROM A WINDOW IN VAGABOND'S HOUSE

Don Blanding
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In these days when all of us are giving, or should be giving, our blood into the great life reservoirs of the Blood Banks, we must also share or give that other plasma which is faith, passing it along to others who may be faltering or lost in the fogs of despair, bewilderment and sorrow which is increasingly a part of our living now. It is not easy to reveal the intimate and dear things of one's heart for all to see, and yet this common need urges that we do this very thing, if the message we have seems to have the plasma of hope in it.

I am passing along an intimate and splendid thing which was said to me by one I loved when with all of the courage we could muster we faced the inevitable and swiftly approaching separation which a malignant illness forced upon us. The words which were spoken to me were such a challenge and comfort that I would indeed be selfish to keep them to myself when the need is so great for just sincere messages.

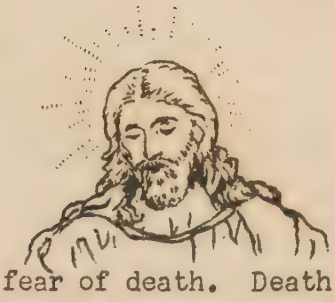
I was told this: "Above all things I ask that you do not grieve darkly and long for me. You know that I would turn back from the gates of Heaven and walk barefoot through hell to be with you and near you if you needed me or called to me. We do not know a great deal about life after this event called 'death'. We (you and I) believe that we go on somewhat as we are here with a little more understanding, working toward some far fine goal which is revealed to us when we are capable of seeing it. But again I ask, do not grieve bitterly nor long because if it is permitted us to come back to the presence of those we love I shall come back. But, if your awareness of my presence makes you sad then I would have to go away, and I would be a very lonely ghost, indeed.

"In life I wanted to bring happiness to you; death could not change that desire. So, if you think that you feel my nearness, remember quickly and with all your strength of all the joyous things we shared; turn swiftly to the picture album of your memory and recall the happiest days . . . if you can do this, then if I can get passports through that strange No-Man's land, I will come often and happily. Remember what I have asked you."

I did remember those words of great wisdom and forethought. Not only at the time did they exorcise the grim phantoms which crowd about, but drove them away forever in my thinking. It is not with the dark flowers of sorrow that we honor those whom we have loved and who have loved us dearly. It is rather by planting the seeds of valiant and courageous happiness which we may share with others that we make the true victory gardens of the spirit. I hope that this talisman of courage which was given me will serve you if you have need of it now or in the days ahead.

"THE HEALING CHRIST"

OVERCOMING OUR LAST ENEMY AND OUR FEAR OF IT



-- adapted from "Harmony that Heals", -- Lesson XXV

It is said that there is only one fear, and that is the fear of death. Death itself is not so much our enemy as is the fear of death. When we have conquered fear we will find that we also have vanquished the last enemy, Death, as well.

Paul said, "I die daily". But the Self does not die. It is only the form that changes. It is the same YOU today that once functioned within your present memory in the form of a child. You put on different wraps but no matter how you are clothed, it is the same identity. No matter how you would try to masquerade and conceal yourself, you would still be the same individual. Therefore, you can see that the same fact exists even if you lost your mortal form. You can die only in the sense of losing the body. You would clothe yourself anew with a body that would express your evolving idea of yourself.

It is said that until we have mastered the lesser enemies in life -- the last enemy, death is a kind of friend. It provides a mercy in many cases to slip out of a pain-wracked body and be given another chance.

We will go on, for WE ARE ETERNAL. If we will satisfy ourselves of this Truth and realize that we cannot be annihilated then we will be prepared courageously to conquer all of our enemies. At least it will enable us to overcome our greatest enemy, fear. Therefore, let us move onward towards the fulfillment of the Great Incarnation when through Christ Jesus we will put on the Christ and no longer know death. But in the meantime we may harmonize with God's plan and purpose in that transition known as death, and knowing its nothingness in the real sense we fear it not. We do not grieve for we know no separation. There is nowhere to go but God; there is nothing to face but God. And since we are truly one with God we experience all the "death" there ever can be in its true meaning when we die to self and unite with Him NOW, that His Will and Purpose be fulfilled in and through us as the Son of the Most High we really ARE.

The time will come when man will understand that he can grow, through gradual transformation, more and more perfect in the Christ realization and practice. Therefore, since only the imperfect dies, he will become less vulnerable to the experience called death until at last he is free from dying. Some day man will "put off his corruptible body and put on that incorruptible body". He will enter the Kingdom of Heaven while yet a citizen of earth and again function in the "Garden of Eden", in the Paradise that rightfully belongs to him.

If one could grow old in the thought of simply climbing up to the top of the hill instead of slipping down it into the dark valley, then with every step one could feel more invigorating air and joyous freedom than he did in the lower planes. One would never feel old for there is no age, no death, in the Kingdom. One would feel more ALIVE, more youthful in Spirit, and more appreciative of beauty, love and harmony of life . . . more fully aware of the Christ. For such a one there could be no old age.

-- from Lesson XXV -- "The Lessons of Life", dealing with reincarnation -- the gospel of the second chance.

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PRAYER FOR RELEASEMENT

Adapted from the Memorial Service of the Ministry of "The Healing Christ"
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Heavenly Father God, Almighty Presence, Eternal Spirit in the midst of us, and the Living Christ, the Healing Christ, in Christ Jesus, and all the Celestial Hosts and Saints in the Kingdom, we thank Thee for Thy Presence, and for Thy Eternal Light shining in and through our Beloved. We thank Thee for our vision of the Perfect Immortal Body, the Temple of the Living God and know Thy Love is everywhere present.

We thank Thee that we know Christ walks beside our Beloved; that the Angel Presence watches over him, guides and protects him, and His Love has now released him of all burdens and earthly cares. We ask for enlightenment for our Beloved, peace of spirit, and that he may enter fully into the new life in Christ that is before him. We rejoice with our Beloved that he has found his home and new life in Thee. Be Thou with him all the way.

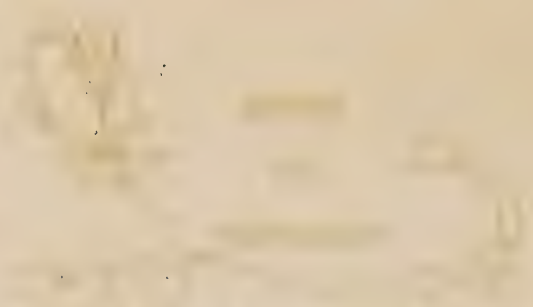
We thank Thee for our Beloved's release into Thy Perfect Kingdom; we would release him, dear Father, and give him into Thy hands; we know he has found rest in his soul and abides eternally in Thy Love. We thank Thee for his body indestructible, and for the eternal Light that shines in and through him. We give our Beloved into Thy keeping. In Thy arms may he find eternal peace; under Thy wings be ever secure.

We thank Thee that the book of life is cleansed from cover to cover, through the Redeeming Love of Jesus Christ, and that it is therefore without spot or blemish. We believe that as we pray for our Beloved now, the Healing Christ is renewing his Inward man and that he is now a new creature in God. We ask the Healing Christ to baptize him with His Presence of Holy Spirit and the Living Waters of Eternal Life, that he may live this day with Christ and go forward in His Heavenly Journey in those mansions prepared for him.

RELEASEMENT TREATMENT

One may reach the spirit of the departed one through the Principle of Harmony at any time. If for some reason there was inharmony, sense of resentment or self-reproach, or some misunderstanding one can reach the spirit on the transcendental plane of love. This does not mean to try to feel him in a physical or psychic sense, but only in a spiritual sense and in the realm of consciousness. In case a soul has passed out in darkness or in negative conditions, a special treatment should be given in the Presence of Christ. Spiritual entities in Christ Jesus may be asked to quicken him and cleanse him of all that is not of God. He should be surrounded by the Light of Christ by those who are praying for him and are left "behind".

There is great need today for prayer service. Thousands of souls are departing from the earth under abnormal and terrible conditions. The spiritual entities and higher astral beings are devoting their entire time in the service of Christ to help on the invisible planes. More citizens of earth are needed to co-operate and assist in this colossal task. We need more prayer groups formed for the purpose of doing releasement work and healing treatment for our boys and girls in the service. And as our aftermath of war comes upon us the task of rehabilitating the devastated ones will be inconceivably tremendous. God grant that now all quickened ones see their opportunity to learn the way of Harmony that Heals and serve as disciples in the Ministry of The Healing Christ. This Ministry is a Ministry at-large; and all may serve without outer identification, and regardless of personal religious views.



HEAVENLY DAYS

New Age Screen Interpretation

by

Corinne Heline

Heavenly Days, the recent Mollie and Fibber McGee comedy film, is another production which succeeds in promoting an important truth while providing first rate entertainment. It revolves around the "average man", a major theme of the century, and links his present aspiration to this nation's historical beginnings as this is embodied in the spirit of '76.

This involves the use of a devise by which not only historical continuity is emphasized but the actual association of the spirits who then lived and dreamed and fought. These are represented as present and active in the affairs of our country today even as they were in the days of our Revolution.

Since the political forces of a nation are centered in its capital city, this drama is enacted chiefly in Washington, but with some scenes in distant parts where live the rank and file of folk.

The leading characters, Mollie and Fibber, are average American citizens who live comfortably and happily in an average American town, Wistful Vista. One day the even tenor of their life is disturbed by receiving an invitation from Mollie's cousin, Senator Alvin Clark, to come to Washington for a visit.

The McGees are at first dubious about making the trip. When Fibber is alone in his sitting room debating the question, he glances abstractly at the wall on which hangs the familiar picture of Willard's The Spirit of 1776. Then presently, to his amazement, he sees the central figure, the drummer, representative of the Spirit of Liberty, step right out of the picture and appear before him as a living, breathing man of flesh and blood. Introducing himself as "the middle man", he appeals to Fibber to go out and champion the rights of the Average Man.

In Washington the chief interest of Mollie and Fibber is attending the sessions of the Senate, and there he makes himself heard on behalf of the rights of the Common Man. He had not gone far in his gallery address to the Senators in the greater interests of the Average Man before he was silenced and escorted out of the hall by the sergeant-at-arms.

That night in a dream, Fibber, accompanied by the Spirit of Liberty, returned to the Senate where he was then permitted to say uninterruptedly all that he had been prevented from expressing at the morning session concerning the rights of the people at large. While thus expostulating with great earnestness on the rights of the masses, a group of non-plussed and confused Senators gathered about him. Then presently a pompous and elegantly attired individual, Mr. Stuffed Shirt by name, entered the room and walking directly up to Fibber, first handcuffing him and then throwing him prostrate on the floor, set his foot upon the helpless man's neck. "This", exclaims he with an arrogant and disdainful manner, "is the way to treat Mr. Average Man". Some of the Senators, however, protested against such mistreatment and said that they were in favor of reviving and renewing the life

of the Average Man.

While this is an ingenious and arresting bit of theatricalism, it nevertheless corresponds correctly to an important truth of actual experience. Characters of the past do step out into the present. Once alive, is to be always alive, and inter-communication is a fact. Those who have passed on can and do enter the earthly scene at will, but being clothed in bodies invisible to ordinary sight, they are seen only by those whose clairvoyant faculties have been developed.

It is also true to fact that the ideals cherished and the causes championed by a person in earth life continue to animate the soul even in the spiritual worlds. Hence when those same ideals and causes encounter special opposition and are threatened with defeat, it is but natural that all who feel a deep concern for their maintenance and progress should rally to their support, not only from the visible but also from the invisible ranks of the living. "The Middle Man" who sounded the drum for the liberty of the Average Man in 1776, though now out of the body, is for that very reason even more keenly aware than when on earth of the need to do so again in this hour when the mass man arises the world over to claim an added measure of the freedoms that are rightly his. And so he literally steps out of the picture of the past into the stirring scene of the present.

It is a familiar fact to all those who have become conscious Invisible Helpers and able to carry over the memory of the experiences of their night activities on the inner planes that the city of Washington is the scene of much important work by such invisible servers. This work is focussed most frequently in the legislative halls on the nights before important governmental decisions are to be made. On such occasions hosts of invisibles enter the chambers for the purpose of cleansing its psychic atmosphere and charging it with strong, clear thought and uplifting aspiration. A place so "treated" retains the effects of it for days after. It is then psychically a veritable sanctuary of light.

Obviously this subtle influence is not without its beneficial effect, and many a legislator, especially those sincerely seeking higher guidance and therefore the more receptive to soul impressions, has under such influence come into a new light on the issue at stake and in the last moment cast their vote contrary to hitherto held opinion.

The city of Washington is one of the most important psychic centers in the world. It is obviously a seat of mighty present and future power. Zones of magnetic force connect it with other great world capitals along which flow currents of powerfully energized thought force, each stream raying out the color and sounding the note of the nation or race whence it springs. As these living currents of many sounds and colors converge and mingle in the extended aura of the city, they become to clairvoyant sight a veritable aurora borealis producing an almost awe-inspiring effect on the beholder.

In times of international crisis such as the present, these currents become taut, as it were. They lose the free flowing, rhythmic motion which characterises them in normal times. They become, instead, rather jagged and discordant, and tear at the nerves of the sensitive. In normal times such persons require several days to make the necessary adjustments to the tempo of these accelerated vibrations. In the stress of such days as these, many who for one reason and another, must carry on their work in the city, find its tension so severe that they are obliged to reside in outlying environs.

Now to return to the film drama. Senator Clark, who was out of the Capital City when Fibber arrived, has returned and taken his friend into his office to assist him in the performance of duties newly devolving upon him through the acceptance of a new post in which he bears the imposing title of Coordinator of Public Morale in the Post War World. Multitudes come to the office to learn what their status is to be in the new world of tomorrow. His answers are all summed up in two words, Fellowship and Coordination. Two words only, but two words standing for the elementary principles apart from which there can be no New World.

Fibber's influence grows until he is about to replace in effect the voice of Senator Clark in the Senate Chamber. This naturally incurs the opposition of the Senator and Fibber is dismissed and asked to leave Washington forthwith.

Senator Clark is conservative. He is fearful of the changing present. He does not recognize the right or the wisdom of allowing the Voice of the People to be heard in deliberations of state. Thus in these two characters the film projects the controversy already sharply duplicated in Washington during the weeks just past, the controversy between the so-called "realists" and "idealists", the conservatives and liberals, the champions of the privileged few and the believers in the rise to power of the Common Man. In one form or another this will constitute the crux of America's crisis in the decade ahead.

Fibber reaches his home in Wistful Vista on election day and is enthusiastically received by the townspeople who present him with a plaque bearing his likeness as representative of the Average Man. Here is an honor he would like to accept but as he remembers that on this election day, this day made for the Average Man, he had been unable to vote because he had neglected to register, he feels his unworthiness and so shame-facedly discards the plaque in the nearest waste basket. At this point the Spirit of Liberty again appears to remind him of the priceless privilege of democracy which the ballot box represents and how lightly it is esteemed by many Americans.

Fibber now discovers that corrupt politics is seeking power through the election of a Mayor who is none other than Mr. Stuffed Shirt. Thus aroused to his responsibility as a citizen, Fibber procures a band, rounds up all dilatory voters, recovers his discarded plaque and to the accompaniment of the jubilant Spirit of Liberty, he triumphantly announces the defeat of the corrupt candidate in the mayorality race.

The future of this great country and of the world is in the hands of the people. The ballot box is its collective voice. To use it is at once the people's privilege and duty. Only when the ballot will be regarded as a means to achieve the better life even as one turns to the prayer book for upliftment, can democracy manifest an order of wisdom and justice for all. Issues and candidates must needs be known and their lives and policies measured by the keywords of Fibber: Fellowship and Coordination.

Such are the ideals which Washington, Paine, Franklin, Jefferson and all the Founding Fathers envisioned and such the principles for which they lived, fought and died. Later also Lincoln and Wilson. The late Wendell Wilkie, too, caught this same vision and adhered to it faithfully when compromise promised greater personal gain. It is only through the realization of such ideals and principles that true democracy can come into being. And more and more it is being recognized that equal opportunity and just representation must needs extend beyond the political sphere until it embraces others as well. To political democracy must needs be added both economic and racial democracy.

This is truly the Century of the People. Once again America stands at the crossroads of decision. The world of men are looking to her for wise and just action. Hosts of invisibles hover near to sustain her in this high moment of choice. The spirits of the Founding Fathers are near and active, as are multitudes who in this war and in other of this nation's tragic conflicts, have made the supreme sacrifice in order that this nation conceived and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal shall not perish from this earth.

The Spirit of '76 was keyed to the initial rhythm imparted to this nation at the time of its founding by the Great Ones. It set out to inaugurate a New Order of the Ages based on the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Heavenly Days is the goal, since the Kingdom is to be established on earth even as it is above.

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Harmony and Music

ARE YOU AWARE

OF THE

SOUND OF GOD?

by

Flower Newhouse

adapted from "Inspiration"

A great deal has been given upon the Word of God, but we have yet to probe the meaning of the Sound of God. The sounding of His notes are imparted through music. An unexplored region of experience confronts the seeker when he turns to the tuneful aural verities for spiritual discoveries.

The tones of the Eternal Spirit press down through many worlds. Upon every level evolving Beings detect the notes and resound them according to their interpretations.

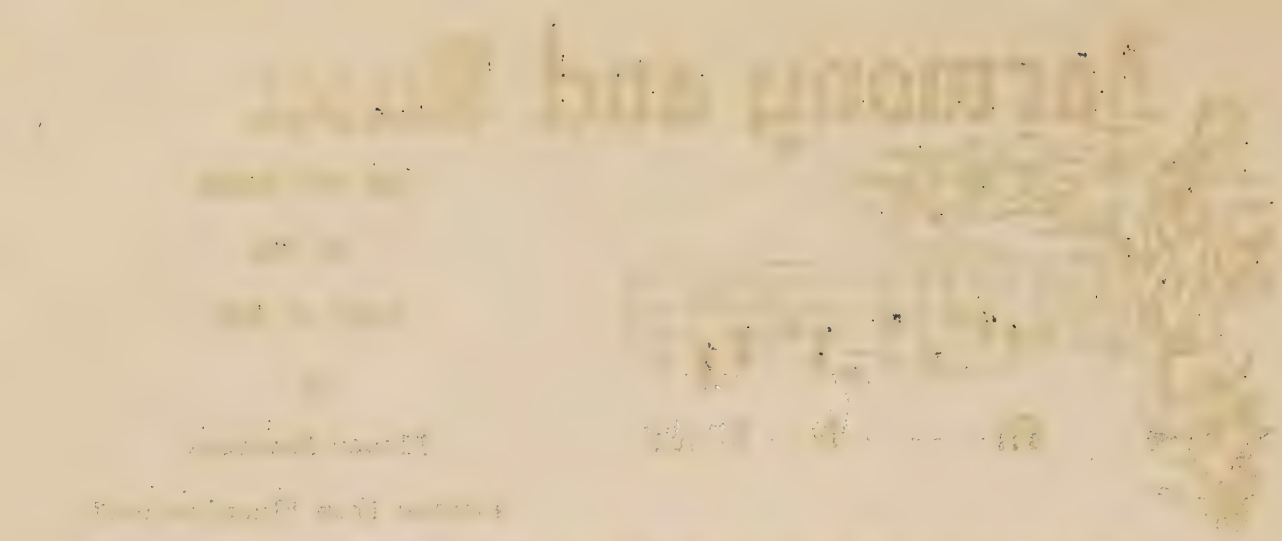
Much of the finest music on our plane was directly received from the Deva (or Angel) kingdom. Hearing these cadences not only stirs the spirit, but it has a cleansing effect upon the body. The Devas have prompted certain rhythms to be used nationally, such as "Finlandia" by Sibelius, because of the unifying quality they contain. Almost every national anthem contains the forces that are conducive to its nation's highest achievements.

How very fortunate we are to be able to hear good music at every season of the year. In the summertime outdoor concerts exert a special inner blessing, and for that reason we should hear them in these Nature settings. During the winter, artists present their offerings in concert or opera, and their beings or services many times become channels for great spiritual force. At all times through the radio we are able to be attuned to the finest music this humanity has received.

Just as we increase the depth of our minds through study and reflection, so should we seek to deepen the scope of our music appreciation. In time we shall receive as definite a value from attending a concert as we usually do from a stimulating address. We need to cultivate an inner attention and a spiritual responsiveness to music. In hearing any composition or overture a sense of inner detachment is necessary, for there are meanings within meanings in melodic offerings. The composer, in many instances, has caught only the exoteric message of his theme. In attentive listening we may be able to glimpse the esoteric purport of the movements.

Quite recently at a musicale a pianist gave one of her own compositions called "The Music of the Waves". It was strongly moving. As the number unfolded the musical notes of the Lords of the Ocean sounded themselves quite noticeably to one who was sensitively able to detect them. These notes convey a message to the alert listener in the same manner that thought forms communicate instructions from Master to pupil. That evening when the "Prize Song" from "Die Meistersinger" was rendered by a violinist a very clear revelation accompanied the music. It was shown, in the melody, that the esoteric meaning of this composition revolved around an advanced Music Deva's adoration of the Source of Sound.

From this time onward let us be more music-minded. Each time that we listen to good offerings we shall select some definite impression to weave into the harmony of our own unfoldment.



A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER AND TO MUSIC

Music in the News -- reviewed by Frances Coleman

The woman quality of cooperation and compassion to rebuild the world in harmony was never more important than at this time.

"The Mother of Humanity is that mighty Passive Principle which gathers up Light as it penetrates Chaos and cherishes it in her bosom. It is forever the tender brooding Mother-force which works on the germs of good in all things that they may ultimately bring forth good." -- (from "The Divine Mother", H. Curtiss)

From Time magazine, April 9th, we read about the beautiful music of a choir of eighty nuns who sang on a public stage for the first time in history. Music is an old sweet story to nuns of the Roman Catholic Church.

It was a demonstration by Father William J. Finn, of a life long desire to revive Renaissance music. The sweet, soft voice texture which stirred and delighted people was achieved by mooing and mahing technique, was like listening to a lot of flutes.

It seems evident, even in the more cloistered branch of this Church, that the Mother quality is being brought forth to help lead the world to Harmony and Peace.

THUNDER UNDER THE DOME

This New Age is experiencing many wonderful awakenings in the field of vibration. The auroratone is a beautiful example of tone and color and as time goes on we will have more and more amazing discoveries.

Last year at the Capitol building in the State of Washington a discharged soldier was invited to play the organ to soothe the ruffled legislators' nerves. One night the organist moved his small organ into the Capitol's echoing rotunda. After a few notes of "The Lost Chord" he stopped, awed -- The Capitol Dome, fourth highest in the world, had amplified the organ notes to rolling musical thunder. Experimenting, he found he could create sympathetic vibrations that were terrifying -- they rattled windows and shook doors.

Sound engineers were called in and the Governor announced that, "The Capitol Dome possesses a musical sounding board the equal of the most famous in the world."

People were amazed at the organist's first concert in the rotunda.

Beautifully executed music will "sooth the savage breast"; even cows give more milk when they have music.

The three day memorial for the late President Roosevelt was three days of harmony for many. The lower rhythms were silenced for the Universal coordinating of Higher Music. Earthly rhythms were hushed before the Divine currents of harmony as though we had come into our true majesty. It was a time of mourning for some but a rejoicing for others who were attuned to higher vibrations.

Morning (mourning) is a symbol for the dawn of the New Day.

"Eliminate the negative -- accentuate the Positive" -- as expressed in one of the top tunes of the moment gives the key note of the whole New Age movement, and is a means of reaching the youth and masses of the nation with its constructive and positive message. In a popular manner music may be a bridging over for Youth.

As Glenn Clark often says -- "We slip up on the blind side of people without them realizing that it is a universal, spiritual teaching."

These simple things are symbolic and vital, showing how Youth can be reached and affected.

HEALTH-HARMONY

THE SPIRIT OF YOUTH AND VITALITY

by Phoebe Marie Holmes

"Mrs. Holmes is more than a writer and lecturer on food science, exercises, and psychology, more than a teacher of physical rejuvenation. She was given a vision of Man as he really is, and his true relationship to the Creator -- a spiritual being literally the child of his Father-Mother God. This is the real secret of her remarkable vitality, perfect health, and power over audiences today at the age of ninety years 'young'." Harmony Digest will carry a number of articles by Mrs. Holmes in this Department.

HAS THE FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH BEEN DISCOVERED AT LAST? Phoebe Marie Holmes says: "Yes! It is true." "And all that one needs to do is to comply with the laws governing Health. To gain the spirit of youth and vitality, she says: Get a new vision of life. Learn how to eat and breathe for beauty, for efficiency of the glands,and for success.

There are three good reasons why dietetics should be studied. They are: (1) The development of sound physical health. (2) The development of spiritual life in the individual. (3) The development of spiritual life in the race.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE RACE: "The Race marches forward on the feet of little children," and the spiritual status of mankind thirty years hence will depend on the training and teaching given to the little ones in our nurseries today. Shall we be so blind and deaf to the interests of the race as to fetter their tiny feet with the traditional diseases and ailments of childhood, which spring from the old race-mind, and ignorance of true food values?" "To cure is the voice of the past; to prevent is the Divine whisper of today." We can see that children can be taught from babyhood to prefer those foods that build vigorous health and set the mind free to develop its spiritual powers.

YOUR SOUL: We talk glibly enough of the "superman", and think of him in terms of machinery and the triumphs of mechanical inventions. But what of the real superman, the "Christ in you", that has waited so long for recognition and expression? Do we imagine that a people glorying in the breakfast bacon and roast beef and plum pudding of Old England, or the pork and beans and turkey and mince pies of this land of the Stars and Stripes, can build a body capable of vibrating in harmony with the presence of the Living Christ, or develop soul qualities that would provide the Son of Man with a place wherein to lay His Head?

We know that live foods build young and healthy bodies, not only free from disease, but capable of an endurance undreamt of by the old methods of eating. We know that a physically perfect body means mental powers set free for the contemplation of sublime spiritual truths.

Since it is the earnest desire and hope of every heart to have health, happiness and prosperity, it clearly reveals that it is our heritage, and we can never be happy as long as we are bound by the chains of fear, worry and disease. When God created man in His own image and likeness, He clothed him with a perfect body of flesh (called coats of skins), and that body was originally composed of eighty-four of the highest life-giving chemicals, taken from Mother Earth, says Dr. Bell. Man was a strong, healthy being, vibrating with all the vital elements of the universe. Through wrong living man has lost most of those original chemicals, and today most of us have only sixteen chemicals in our body.

Our stay upon this earth depends largely upon our ability to eat the foods that nourish our bodies, to breathe deep from the solar plexus, to think constructive thoughts, of life, joy, health, happiness, and to honour God by expressing love for humanity through faith in a divine Father. Man's body is the Temple of the Living God! We are here to glory God in mind, soul and body. The price we pay for neglect is physical death. -- from "Glorious Radiant Health"

LOOKING FORWARD!

At the early stages of life there is a keenness of anticipation, a zest and vital interest that is refreshing to the mature beholder. Towards the end of the span of life we usually note the slackening up -- slow response and easy fatigue, going hand in hand with that which we call "old age".

Likewise the experiences of life can throw us into such a state that we feel "crushed", or all but "dead" from lack of initiative, courage or the traits that will carry us forward into more of Life.

Therefore, if we would learn to keep YOUNG -- to apply the secret of happiness, vitality, and joy we find in youth -- we must renew ourselves in the Fountain of Eternal Life.

Harmony Digest is a magazine of the New Age -- a transcendental project coming out of the motivation to bring more of this Eternal Life into manifestation through a program of HARMONIZATION. While it is the organ for the Harmonization Fellowship Foundation, a non-sectarian religious-educational organization, its purpose is to digest the current transcendental writings and periodicals in the field of Universal Truth rather than to attempt to further particular teachings or religious views. Its creative inspiration is in attempting to serve a great purpose of unification -- of bringing together under one cover the essence of Harmony as expressed by many inspired writers and spiritual movements of today.

Harmony Digest is sent as a free gift of the Christ Spirit to anyone who appreciates its vital message and worth. There are no subscription fees and there is no follow-up course to which a price is attached. It is sustained under the transcendental law of abundant life which it represents and all who harmonize with its mission through their free will offerings are deeply blessed by the Spirit which gives it life.

The Harmonization Movement is Universal -- not limited to any organization under this name or any other. It is now beginning its powerful quickening influence in humanity. Its impetus is being felt throughout the world under the program which is working for peace and brotherhood of man. The real "second coming of the Christ" is imminent and new life in Christ is transforming the lives of countless humans who are being "born again" through the higher transcendental law of the new age now dawning.

The magazine, Harmony Digest, is merely an infant -- a humble effort on the part of a few devotees working without means of the usual sponsorship or material support. It is now in its second year and is growing quite rapidly, keenly aware of its defects of form but divinely inspired by its inner pattern of beauty and harmony which we hope is reflected through its pages.

We invite new readers to respond to this issue by mailing in their subscriptions to receive the magazine during the coming year. We would also appreciate hearing from old subscribers if they wish us to continue mailing it to them. We shall also appreciate having the names of those you think might be interested in receiving a gift copy from us. We also wish to announce that a few sets of Harmony Digest for the year 1944 are still available by special order. We appreciate a gift of .50 per number or $3.00 for the year for back numbers (to cover approximate cost of printing). Later it will be impossible to get these valuable old numbers as they will not be re-run.

The Staff wishes to thank its many friends for their good wishes and loving greetings attached to their correspondence and gifts. It all adds zest to our spirit and multiplies the power of the enterprise. Every letter receives personal attention -- every note brings forth our joyful gratitude and loving response. God bless you all! May we long continue to "look forward" together in the spirit of Harmonization.

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Therefore, if we would learn to keep YOUNG -- to apply the secret of happiness, vitality, and joy we find in youth -- we must renew ourselves in the fountain of Eternal Life.

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The Harmonization Movement is Universal -- not limited to any organization under this name or any other. It is now beginning its powerful quickening influence in humanity. Its impetus is being felt throughout the world under the program which is working for peace and brotherhood of man. The real "second coming of the Christ" is imminent and now life in Christ is transforming the lives of countless humans who are being "born again" through the higher transcendental law of the new age now dawning.

The magazine,Harmony Digest, is merely an infant -- a humble effort on the part of a few devotees working without means of the usual sponsorship or material support. It is now in its second year and is growing quite rapidly, keenly aware of its defects of form but divinely inspired by the inner pattern of beauty and harmony which we hope is reflected through its pages.

We invite new readers to respond to this issue by mailing in their subscriptions to receive the magazine during the coming year. We would also appreciate hearing from old subscribers if they wish us to continue mailing it to them. We shall also appreciate having the names of those you think might be interested in receiving a gift copy from us. We also wish to announce that a few sets of Harmony Digest for the year 1944 are still available by special order. We appreciate a gift of .50 per number or $3.00 for the year for back numbers (to cover approximate cost of printing). Later it will be impossible to get these valuable old numbers as they will not be re-run.

The Staff wishes to thank its many friends for their good wishes and loving greetings attached to their correspondence and gifts. It all adds zest to our spirit and multiplies the power of the energies. Every letter receives personal attention -- every note brings forth our joyful gratitude and loving response. God bless you all! May we long continue to "look forward" together in the spirit of Harmonization.

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IMMORTALITY NOW

There is a challenge in the word IMMORTALITY NOW. Also a declaration and a promise. The fact is that man in his higher nature is a spiritual being, and the life of the spirit is eternal. The promise is that the race mind will one day not merely speculate about this fact, questioning it, rejecting it or believing in it, but will know it as a living truth. This enhanced consciousness of what we really are, immortal as the Gods in our inmost being, has now reached a stage where development is relatively rapid. The race is experiencing "evolution by explosion", as it were. That is, processes that have been going on quietly and imperceptibly for centuries and even ages have reached a point of fruition. The bud bursts and the petals open.

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